

## WHAT CLASS SHALL RUN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

As has been stated before, in some sections of Southeast Missouri the black man and his family are not wanted and we are told not one resides in Stoddard County on farms. In some parts of the Sikeston District can be found neighborhoods where they are not wanted on the farm. The Standard can truthfully say that at no time in the past ten years has this section so needed peace and harmony, close application to business and strict economy as now. Hardly a landowner but what has borrowed to the limit to carry on, and no tenant farmer but what is groaning under the burden that he is carrying. Three or four years ago tenant after tenant in this community were classed as being financially well-to-do, but now many of them are working as day laborers without financial backing to start again, are old and broken in spirit and have given up hopes for the future. It is absolutely necessary to have help on the farm. It is likewise necessary to have a variety of crops growing if the farmer ever expects to get out of debt. Noting the success with cotton just south of us our farmers decided to put out a large acreage this spring and sought negro families in the South who were cotton raisers to take charge of this branch of the farming. The past few weeks has brought hundreds of these families into this section and we will state that they are big families, well dressed and every one of them self-sustaining and with bank accounts. It is to these people that Southeast Missouri and the Sikeston District are looking to work us out of the financial hole. The white tenants should not take offense at landlords for trying to save their lands with this cotton help for the cotton help will likewise be the salvation of the white tenants who can get ready help from them when in need of it. It is not a social move by any means, but a move for the good of landlord, tenant, laborer and merchant. The threat to intimidate these black families will be frowned on by the better element in town and country alike, because we need the money they brought here with them and need their help in the raising of cotton and the gathering of crops. The Standard feels certain that a careful study of the situation will show the need of these people and there will be nothing to fear.

W. E. Whitecotton, member of the Legislature from Monroe County and a Democrat, has furnished the Republicans a fine piece of political ammunition by his fight on school teachers and county school superintendents. If the Democrats of the State back Whitecotton's silly utterances they certainly cannot hope to carry the State at the next election.

Brother Bradley came in Tuesday from a trip through the counties above here in the interest of the Methodist Church of which he is presiding elder. The many places he visited in the short time and the number of meetings he held proves that the seed sown is the greatest pay that a presiding elder gets. Satisfaction of trying to do is sometimes about all a preacher or an editor gets.

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday afternoon. In the absence of the president, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Mrs. Harry Blanton, as first vice-president, presided. After the regular order of business the program "Yellowstone Park". Miss Mable Barnett, who toured through the park this last summer, gave with pictures and a description, a most pleasing and interesting program, assisted by Miss Audrey Chaney. The next regular meeting will be January 30th at 2:30 in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

The organ recital at the Methodist Church the evening of the 11th was one of the most enjoyable recitals that has ever been given in Sikeston. About 6000 were present and the silver offering at the door was almost enough to cover the cost. The next number given at the Church will be Glenn Lee, vocal tenor, who will appear Tuesday evening, February 20. This will be the second of a program consisting of five that will be given at the church and each number is calculated to be elevating and each should be well attended. All are free but a silver offering at the door will be acceptable which will go towards paying actual expenses.

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**Boys Overcoats \$4.75 up**

**Make your selections early**

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*Parties having accounts with us are respectfully requested to settle promptly*

# Stubbs Clothing Co.

**Milem Building**

**Sikeston, Missouri**

## SEVERAL DEATHS DURING THE WEEK

Since our last issue Father Time with his Scythe of Death has been busy in the community and has been no respecter of person. The babe, the child, the matron and the mother fare alike. To write of death is an unpleasant task to the editor who knows that just over the Hill is the Valley of Death that one cannot escape for long when they have reached the allotted time of three score.

William Robert Wilkerson, the 10-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wilkerson, died at the home of its parents Thursday night, January 11, at 11:30 of bronchial pneumonia and was buried in the Sikeston Cemetery.

Joe Fahrenkopf, aged 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Fahrenkopf living just east of Sikeston, died Thursday, January 11, of scarlet fever and was buried in the Sikeston cemetery.

Mrs. Minnie D. Bryeans, aged 30 years died at her home in Oran, Friday, January 12, and was laid to rest in the Sikeston Cemetery. She was the daughter of Mrs. Adah Vaughn and sister of Mrs. Joe Bowman of this city, and had many friends and acquaintances here who were grieved at her passing. She leaves a husband and one child to mourn her loss.

The death of Mrs. Ed Wilson which occurred Monday was one of the saddest that has ever occurred in the community. She gave birth to her tenth child, a boy, Sunday, January 7, and while she had a severe cold it was thought not to be serious but soon developed into double pneumonia from which she died. The funeral service was held at the family residence Tuesday morning at 10:00 and at 1:00 the body was taken to Morley where it was buried in the family plot in the cemetery at that place. She was formerly Effie May Holder and born and raised in the vicinity of Morley. She was married to Ed Wilson 24 years ago and to the union came 10 children, 7 of whom survive, the babe but a week old. Mrs. Wilson was a good wife, a good mother, a good neighbor, and her passing is greatly regretted by a host of friends and acquaintances.

It is to be hoped that Representative Ogilvie and Senator Anderson of Scott County will have nothing to do with the bill introduced in the House at Jefferson City by Representative Whitecotton of Monroe County, to cut the salaries of County Superintendent of Schools and school teachers. The County Superintendent of Schools, if he is qualified at all, is not getting enough money as it is, and the teachers who are employed, at most, only 9 months in the year have hardly enough to buy a suit of clothes or a new dress after attending summer school. Let's boost for higher salaries, better qualifications and less demagoguery.

For many months the Missouri and North Arkansas Railroad running from Joplin, Mo., to Batesville, Ark., has had a hard time to run trains and protect their line through the thirteen counties which it traverses. This railroad is the only outlet for this entire section. Railroad Labor Unions have had trouble with the railway management and have done everything in their power to handicap the operation of the road. Bridges have been burned, culverts blown up, and the work has been placed at the doors of the Union whether they or guilty or not. A few nights ago five bridges were burned and the railroad management notified the public they would suspend operation of the line through Arkansas unless proper protection of their property was given by officers and citizens of that State. Headquarters of the Union was at Harrison, Ark. and to that place citizens of that section of the State to the number several hundred gathered and ordered all union officials to leave Harrison, and they left. An attempt to arrest one union man, E. C. Cregor who fired into the crowd and wounded a man, caused him to be hanged. Two more citizens who were sympathizers of the union men were severely whipped, and the town marshal forced to resign. All this was brought about by a handful of union men who attempted to force their claims on the railroad management of a bankrupt road that would have deprived these thirteen counties of any outlet of their products. This is a forerunner of what the public in general think of bull dozing tactics employed by some unions of the country.



SIKESTON STANDARD

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce Ralph McCullough of Morley for Superintendent of Schools of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the April, 1923, election.

We are authorized to announce Jno. H. Goodin of Benton for Superintendent of Schools of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the April, 1923, election.

The way of the transgressor is hard and to be caught is worse. Married men to be happy should stay at home and not pose as single men. Frequently it is embarrassing to have the girls visit your home town and learn the truth.

One doesn't have to go to Turkey to keep a harem. Sikeston has some lesser lights who, unless they are woefully lied on, have small harems. Some of these days there is going to rift in some families unless the harem business is cut out or moved to some other town.

We look for better things when construction work on our state highways begins. A lot of idle people will get employment at good wages and business will be stimulated thereby. It will also be the Golden Age for local knockers and kickers. All the contractors will be crooks, all the laborers will be loafers, all the material will be below standard. Nothing will go to suit them and the result will be the just the loveliest time they ever had.

Brookhart of Iowa offended Big Business mightily last Friday by reading into the Senate record a long list of American corporations whose dividends last year ranged all the way from 200 to 2300 per cent. Altogether, the bunch divided more than two billions of dollars in profits among their stockholders while Agriculture, out of whose pockets much of the money came, was struggling to keep out of the poorhouse.—Paris Appeal.

One of the blackest fellows you ever saw came into The Standard office Saturday to get a copy of the paper and said he was told there was something in it that was favorable to a black man being given a show to make a living in this section. He was from Arkansas, down below Wilson, and said conditions were so he could not make a living there and hoped the white folks up here would give him a chance to show them that he was a good farmer and a good citizen.

Did you ever notice that most all the kicks on our public school come either from men and women who have educated their children in that school and no other, or from men and women who have no children of their own? Just why any person desire to kill the public school—the only real thing that many country towns have—is beyond us. Instead of knocking the public school why not boost it? Election time will soon be here. Resolve right now that you will boost the school and do what you can to make it better the coming year.

Every big country town like Sikeston has a few men who are, at times, a little "wild" when away from home. Two of our respected farmer-town men were in St. Louis recently, accompanied by their wives this time. At a famous restaurant where they aimed to accommodate they went for 9-o'clock dinner. After the cheese was served the waiter said to them: "A couple o' nice demi-tasses, gents?" The two men looked horror stricken, and the older of the two said sternly: "No, sir; certainly not. We're expecting our wives at any moment, and what would they say if they saw us sitting here with a couple of demi-tasses? By gosh, young fellow, I believe this is a disorderly house, and for two pins I'd have you pinched". This was too good for the younger man to keep, but he begged us to give no names.

The Jailbird Industry

Prohibition must be credited with a measure of success. Within the 18 months from July, 1921, to December, 1922, there were 58,862 arrests for the "crimes" created by the prohibition laws. There were 27,801 convictions, with jail sentences aggregating 2044 years, 11 months and 24 days, and fines totaling \$5,220,558.02. There were pending on the dockets of the Federal courts 21,850 cases not disposed of. New cases were being docketed at a rate exceeding 3000 a month.

This is a wonderful record in the making of jailbirds for crimes unknown to the criminal calendar before prohibition, but the field of possible activity has been only scratched. A few illicit distillers, bootleggers and pocket flasks have been haled into court. The home brewers have hardly been touched. If prohibition is to be really enforced all of these must be reached by hook or crook—by blanket warrants or unwarranted raids, searches, seizures and arrests.

The building of jails must keep pace with the manufacture of jailbirds. We shall soon have a "criminal" population, created by crime-making laws, which will be the boast and pride of the most exacting of the fanatics who believe that the redemption of man depends upon the police power and the jail.—Post-Dispatch.

When I Was A Boy

By B. F. Blanton

When I was a boy there was more feeling in the preachers than in the present day minister product of theological colleges, where the head and not the heart is converted. How well do I remember how those old preachers would plead with sinners to flee from the wrath to come and with tears running down their cheeks beg them to accept Christ as their Saviour and be saved. It is very different now, where everything is to start off just so and where too often, the subject is just as apt to be, "Why do men love to eat", as anything else. When did you hear a sermon that warmed your heart as they did under the old time preachers? Of course, our modern preachers are good fellows and we all love them but, one thing is certain, they do not warm your heart like the old hell-fire preacher. Nowadays you would think hell was abolished but it isn't.

When I was a boy people were much better in observing Sunday than are the people of today. Away back there all work ceased on Sunday, both in the towns and in the country. Some people even cooked enough on Saturday to last over Sunday, and such a thing as hunting or fishing on Sunday was never even thought of. Of course, if the ox got in the ditch they got him out—but they did not push him in. How is it now? Hunting and fishing is indulged in by even church members and many stores sell on Sunday if they have a chance, while garages run all day just as they do any other day in the week. More church members joyride on Sunday than attend preaching. Sunday observance is about as well respected in the towns as in the country we are sorry to say.

When I was a boy there were no coffins kept in stock at any of the country towns in Central Missouri. When a person died a measure was taken of the body and given to a carpenter either in town or country and a real firstclass coffin was soon made. They were always made of clear walnut lumber and polished until you could see yourself as in a looking glass. Looking back at those nice shiny coffins makes me feel like it was almost a pleasure to be put in one of them. It cost \$15 or \$20 for a coffin then and even poor folks could afford to die, but none but the well-to-do can afford to die now and maybe that is the reason so many of us old fellows are still hanging on. But the rope will soon break, the end come, then we'll not kick about the bill.

The Roman catacombs are 530 miles in extent, and it is estimated that something like 15,000,000 dead are interred there.

Providence permitting, the opportunity for Mississippi Countians to pull out of the hole in 1923 seems good. That happy situation cannot be realized to the fullest extent, however, without generous co-operation upon the part of all interests. If agitators are permitted to array faction against faction, creed against creed, race against race, and class against class the goal will not be reached. Folks of many different political and religious beliefs and nationalities have gotten along nicely here for many years. Neither outlawry nor prejudice should be allowed to disturb these relations. There are laws to regulate society if it needs regulating and they are the only safe lines to follow.—F. D. Lair

Moving Towards The League

Former Associate Justice Clarke of the Supreme Court made a point in his speech at the first meeting in New York of the Nonpartisan Association for the League of Nations about which there can be no division of opinion, namely, that the question of our entering the League "never had a fair hearing in the United States". It was drawn into the melee of partisan politics and at a time when the public mind was incapacitated for sound, considerate functioning. The 7,000,000 majority was not a verdict against our entering the League. The result of the 1920 election would have been pretty much the same if the covenant had never been written.

Mr. Clarke also referred to an interesting change that was prospectively made in the covenant last September, when the Assembly directed the Council to prepare "a regional treaty of mutual guaranty". This provision, if and when adopted, will in effect repeal Article X by limiting to neighboring nations the obligation of furnishing armed assistance to a nation whose territorial integrity has been attacked or menaced. The familiar bogey of American boys dying in the distant trenches of other warring nations can no longer be evoked by our demagogues when this version of the Monroe Doctrine has been incorporated in the covenant.

Meanwhile, of course, the most convincing advocate for American participation in the effort to save Europe from destruction is found in the bitter logic of events. Nobody imagined in 1918 that 1923 would see France invading Germany, but that is the fact. It is a fact of ill omen, too. And in 1918 comparatively few Americans realized that the American farmer's prosperity depended on the European market. The American farmer understands that clearly enough now, but the knowledge has been gained at a serious cost.

It would be difficult, impossible, perhaps, to secure a verdict on this question apart from partisan politics. But the American farmer joins the American business man in demanding our entrance into the League as the only solution for this grave economic problem the politicians will not be laggard in making the same demand.

We are moving towards the League, steadily and inevitably under the persuasion of self-preservation.—Post-Dispatch..

Ford Comes to the River

St. Paul is singularly in being selected by Henry Ford for the site of a \$10,000,000 manufacturing plant which is ultimately to employ between 14,000 and 15,000 men. But the Minnesota city is not to be the only gainer from the new industrial project. The fact that a Ford institution is to be located on the Mississippi is full of significance to all river cities.

Mr. Ford is a dauntless believer in the river. His vision goes beyond saving a little money on freight or any particular financial profit. He has a vision of the Father of Waters fully harnessed to generate all the power of which it is capable, fully developed against overflow, fully improved to provide a permanent channel for commerce and fully equipped to carry all the freight in the valley that needs a north-and-south lift.

Mr. Ford can be depended upon to act on that vision. From the incipency of the St. Paul project he has planned putting on the upper river a barge line not only for his own use but for the service of the public. He will ship his products down the river by a barge and ship whatever coal he may need over the same water highway, presumably from his own mines in Kentucky. If he establishes the intended fertilizer plant at Muscle Shoals the logical outlet of its product will be down the Tennessee and up and down the Mississippi to the great agricultural areas of the valley.

The genius of the "flivver" has piled up wealth to the point where personal gain can no longer be the only motive. His interest now apparently lies in developing the resources of the nation in connection with his own interests. There is ample opportunity for his genius and resources in the development of the waterways.—Post-Dispatch.

Before he invented the steamboat, Robert Fulton experimented with a submarine at the bottom of Brest Harbor in France, using funds obtained by portrait paintings in Paris.

William Jennings Bryan calls on Christians everywhere to agitate against war. When a very practical method for abolishing war was brought forward three years ago, however, William Jennings did what he could to kill it. It was not that he loved the old order of things but rather that he hated Woodrow Wilson so cordially that he just couldn't stand for anything, even peace on earth, that bore the Wilson stamp.—Paris Appeal.

Mob and Law and Race Prejudice

Leading newspapers throughout the South have made the defeat of the Dyer Anti-Lynching bill the occasion for a general warning that the States must take more effective measures to put an end to mob violence. If they continue to shirk their duty in dealing sternly with the crime of lynching, then inevitably the higher powers of the Federal Government will be invoked in obedience to public opinion. It is a critical situation that the South faces, and its thoughtful citizens more and more realize the need of vigorous action in conquering the mob spirit that has subjected Southern States to so much reproach. Especial force is given to those appeals on the part of the Southern press by very recent events. There have been at least three lynchings of negroes since the first of the year. \* Those are significant words that the Atlanta Constitution prints in connection with the brutal murder only last week of an inoffensive old negro of 70 by drunken white men: "If an end is not put to this sort of thing, and if a small element of brazen, barbaric brutes can disgrace the State by their cold-blooded murders and escape punishment, the State will be fortunate if its loss is confined to the blacks who are leaving it, for the menace developing from these unwhipped criminals has become such as to threaten whites as well as blacks". The answer is that an end must be put to mob murder and lawlessness not for reason of color but for obvious reasons of law and justice, which know no discrimination.—New York World.

The famous island monastery of Lake Sevan, near Frivan, Armenia, which for 10 centuries has never permitted a woman to enter its gates, has just extended the freedom of its grounds and buildings to three American women—Miss Grace Blackwell, Miss Jean Vancouver and Miss Margaret Rust. These women are nurses connected with the Near East Relief.

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The Tariff

The country will be gratified to learn that the Cabinet looked upon the tariff and found it good. It was announced after the meeting that the Fordney-McCumber act was working in a manner wholly different from what its critics had predicted and that our import trade is actually increasing. Just where the Cabinet got this information about imports it would be difficult to say. Only a few days ago the Department of Commerce announced that the new classifications and rate schedules had made it impossible to tabulate import data within the usual time and that no information concerning imports since the old tariff expired would be available until early in 1923. Although statistics of exports are available for both October and November, no information concerning imports since September 21, when the new law became effective, has been made public. Even if such data for the autumn months were available, it would not furnish sufficient evidence for any general conclusion as to the actual working of the new tariff act. It is devoutly to be wished that the cheerful statement given out from the White House will be substantiated by later developments, but in that event the Fordney-McCumber tariff must be a disappointment to its farmers. A protective tariff is a patent failure if it does not cut down imports; that is what protective tariffs are for. Meanwhile, the administration might borrow a leaf from the experience of the preceding Republic.

can President, whose labored defense of an unpopular and repudiated tariff measure, which he pronounced the best ever enacted, only increased the insurgency within his own party.—New York Evening Post.

The badge of the chimney sweep in Bavaria is a high silk hat.

The eyes of snails and slugs are perched right on the ends of their feelers, so that they can look in every direction without moving.

Portageville starts the new year with great activity for its advancement and material progress. Interesting as it is, we are to have two bond issue elections which call for the people's voice and decision upon two absolute essentials—yea, necessities—a modern adequate school building and a city waterworks plant. We hope to see the citizenry carry both propositions and feel that they have well spent their money in nominal sums for the bonded indebtedness. By voting for the improvements three will no doubt accrue to them a bigger

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Poland China Dispersion Sale

Tuesday, February 27, 1923

At McCord Bros. Sales Barn  
SIKESTON, MISSOURI

The Elm Grove Herd of Poland China hogs will be sold at public auction for cash at above date and place.

The offering consists of 15 tried sows, 20 spring gilts, 25 summer and fall gilts and 3 boars.

These sows are from the best blood lines obtainable in the country while the gilts are the offsprings of the sows and sired by Col. Pickett, Julius Caesar and The Son of Pan. The boars to be sold are Julius Caesar, The Son of Pan and a young boar out of a Yankee sow and by The Son of Pan.

This sale is made necessary because Milton and Ben Blanton are still in school and a shortage of feed and finances call for it. The boys will continue with their farm and retain their plant with six sows and gilts and one boar and hope to come again at some future date.

This is going to be a real offering and a description of animals will be printed later.

C. L. BLANTON & SONS



## STUBBS CLOTHING CO. CHANGES OWNERS

The Stubbs Clothing Co., of Sikeston, one of the best known mercantile establishments in Southeast Missouri, has been sold to Messrs. Lehman & Foster, who will take charge of the stock and good will after the 10th of February.

The gentlemen comprising the new firm come well recommended as gentlemen and business men and will step into one of the best advertised establishments in this section. Mr. Lehman is from Pocahontas, Ark., where he has been engaged in the mercantile business for several years. While Mr. Foster has lately been manager of one of Chasoff's stores in Warrensburg, Mo.

The late J. H. Stubbs, the founder of the Stubbs Clothing Co., was one of the best merchants and business men ever in this section and built up a mercantile establishment second to none. He believed in printer's ink and ending back of every article sold.

On his death the store was kept in the family and was for a while under the management of Harry Hope, then of S. M. Dailey, but for the past year or more H. Clay Stubbs has had the management of the business and he successfully carried it through the greatest business depression known in the history of this city. He has been ably assisted by Miss Amy Allen, Mr. Herman Henry and Mrs. H. C. Stubbs, who have done their part to make the Stubbs Clothing Co. popular.

Clay Stubbs will retire from this store with the good will of every competitor because he has always been square in his dealings and his customers will miss him greatly.

The Standard wishes every member of the retiring firm success in their future undertakings and will be at the service of the new firm in getting acquainted and putting their goods before the public.

Mrs. Joe Ferg Hunter and sister, Miss Leona Gallivan of New Madrid were shopping in Sikeston Wednesday.

O. O. Cowden, 985 Holland Avenue, Springfield, Mo., was in Sikeston Monday in the interests of a poultry appliance that automatically dips chickens to free them from vermin. If any of our poultry raisers are interested they can address above for particulars.

The latter part of the week a dog bit one of Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer's children, a child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Paul and another child at Moore Avenue and Center streets. It would be well if the proper authorities would kill the great number of stray dogs that are roaming the town.

Jack Shubert and Luke Hodges left Sikeston Wednesday morning for Los Angeles, Cal. They are making the trip in Mr. Hodges' car. Shubert will be associated with F. O. Baldwin in plumbing and heating contracting, while Hodges will look over the field with a view of locating if building operations look good. Mrs. Shubert and children will follow later.

Things happened fast for Clifford Cooper at Caruthersville last week according to the Democrat Argus. Cooper was arrested for having whiskey, a mask, screw driver, and other mysterious odds and ends in his pockets. The next morning he was found guilty and sentenced to six months in jail and a \$500 fine. That night he "scaled" the drain pipe in the jail and escaped.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Stubbs had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Misses Vera Walpole, Pauline Graham and Mrs. Earl Pate. Miss Burnice Tanner came just in time for dinner.

Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. A. A. Mayfield, Mrs. Wm. Graham, Mrs. Leroy Moore, Miss Marjorie Smith and Miss Burnice Tanner contributed for the dinner for a hungry family last Sunday. Mrs. Frank Van Horne and Mrs. Joe Matthews were not at home when the call was made on them.

The hearts of most people go out to those who are really hungry. Sunday morning a call was sent out to a few families asking them to share their dinner with a family in the south part of town who were hungry and had no food. Those solicited responded and a car was sent out to make the collection. At one place half of the Sunday roast with plenty of potatoes was given; at another, chicken and dressing, and so on until a dinner fit for a king was gathered up. Some way or other one of the donors got to thinking about this needy family and concluded to investigate. At the home of one of those interested, this lady found a gay assembly of young folks and she concluded to take off her wraps and make herself at home. It was so close to dinner time that the hostess and guests told that they thought this would be a good joke to get a good dinner contributed in this manner.

# Buckner-Ragsdale Co.'s SEMI-ANNUAL SHOE SALE

## BEGINNING SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1923

The quality of merchandise featured in our shoe department is known in every home in Southeast Missouri. Every shoe offered in this sale is from our regular stock.

*WATCH OUR WINDOWS*

## Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

LEADING MEN'S STORE OF SKESTON

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy during the illness and death of our wife and mother.

Ed Wilson and children.

Sikeston Standard \$1.50 per year. Have you seen the \$35 Cream Separator at Farmers Supply Co.? Finest separator made, satisfaction guaranteed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyon Schreff are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their house on Wednesday night of last week.

Mrs. Nall of Sikeston is here this week nursing the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Doss Stiles, who is ill. Mrs. Nall is related to Mrs. Doc Davis of this city.—Caruthersville Democrat.

Miss Susie Hay has purchased of H. S. Harper a house on North New Madrid street near the Methodist Church, will remodel same and then move into it with her mother. The house on North Ranney will be for rent.

The Reverend G. A. Hoffman of Stoddard County, who was elected chaplain of the House of Representatives was one of the presidential electors who cast his vote for President Wilson in 1912, according to Representative Whitecotton who nominated Mr. Hoffman.

In another part of The Standard will be found the full report of the State Insurance Inspector on Sikeston. We were led to believe that with our new engine and with a paid fireman on the job 24 hours, with our pump house rebuilt and pump overhauled, we would be placed in Class 4 instead of Class 4½ and thereby have our insurance rates reduced. It will be seen from this report that we have no show at all of getting into Class 4. Mayor Felker took the matter up with the State Insurance Department and protested the report. Thursday morning the Insurance Department informed the Mayor that most of the insurance written for Sikeston was taken out when the rates were lower and Sikeston had not been revised by the State Department but a new revision of our rates would be undertaken at once that would increase the rates for the business district all along the line 5 per cent. This is all and is a plenty. Our up-to-date fire fighting equipment is to get us a raise of insurance when we believed we would get a lower rate. It is hard to keep even with some of our State Bureau and Commissions let alone beat them. It may only be a coincidence, but it certainly looks like the Public Service Commission and State Insurance Commission most generally favor the corporations.

### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and children spent Sunday in Canolou.

Mrs. John Rice of Chaffee spent the week here visiting relatives.

Malcolm Ratcliffe has made himself a present of a new Ford coupe.

A fine lot of honey from Morehouse was peddled out on our streets Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Morrill of Sikeston was the guest of Mrs. Maggie Hunott, Friday.

Elmer Burch shipped a fine car load of cattle and hogs to St. Louis Wednesday.

Goebel Owen went to New Madrid Wednesday as a witness in the Geo. Butler case.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord and Mrs. G. D. Steele were the guests of Mrs. O. K. Mainord, Thursday.

There is a lot of flu or La Grippe around town, but nothing serious as it is all in a light form.

Mrs. Dave Morgan, Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Albert Deane were Sikeston visitors Monday.

Mrs. James Brown of the Crow District spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith.

John Graham has moved his family from his farm to Matthews into Mrs. Elizabeth Gurley's residence.

Silas Hultz has moved his barber shop from the Roberts building over across the railroad into the pool room.

The Royal Neighbors held a meeting in their lodge rooms Wednesday

evening to take in some new members.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll attended the picture show at Sikeston Tuesday night.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Albert Deane were the guests of Mrs. Dickerman in the Crow neighborhood Wednesday.

The ladies of Matthews are contemplating organizing a society for the benefit of the church and creating a better social standing among the people. We hope they will meet with success for we certainly do need something to awaken interest in the church and social affairs.

Miss Vera Walpole is ill at her home with the flu.

In the New Madrid Circuit Court Wednesday the State vs. George Butler and G. F. Alley charged with criminal assault on a girl at Canolou, after an all day trial, were found guilty by a jury and given two years in the penitentiary.

A double game of basketball was played last Thursday night between the Cairo boys and the Bridges girls. Sikeston being victorious both times for the boys 38 to 7 and the girls 25 to 12. Both were excellent practice games as the games that were to be played Friday were expected to be fought to the finish. Excellent team work was shown in both the Sikeston boys' and girls' team, as no one started in either half. Cairo made a tour of Cape Girardeau Wednesday night, Sikeston Thursday night and Poplar Bluff Friday night, losing in all three games.

### SKESTON COUNTRY CLUB ORGANIZED

A meeting called by L. M. Stallcup for the purpose of talking over the proposition of organizing a Country Club for Sikeston, about thirty men responded and Mr. Stallcup was elected temporary chairman and G. M. Greer was made temporary Secretary.

Several of the parties present expressed their view on the way the Club should be organized and conducted. The first business before the meeting was a motion made by Dr. J. H. Yount that the chairman appoint a nominating committee, the chairman being included as one member of this committee. H. L. Smith and E. C. Matthews were named by the chairman and this committee retired to select the names of a temporary Board of Governors and reported the following names to the meeting: P. M. Gervig, A. Ray Smith, J. S. Kevil, M. Q. Tanner, C. F. McMullin, E. C. Matthews, L. M. Stallcup. H. L. Smith moved that these names be accepted by the meeting and they were duly elected so.

It was then moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a Location Committee and the following names were placed on this committee: M. Q. Tanner, J. L. Matthews, and H. L. Smith, Chairman of this Committee. It was moved and seconded that the initiation fee be placed at \$100 and the yearly dues be \$50 and that \$25 must be deposited with the application for membership.

It was also moved and seconded that the Chairman appoint a Membership Committee and the following names were placed on this Committee: Harry Young, E. A. Matthews and T. A. Wilson, as chairman of this Committee. Mr. Wilson made it known that it was impossible for him to serve on this Committee and was excused by the Chairman and Mr. Matthews and Mr. Young were instructed to name the other member and elect their chairman.

The members of the Location Committee and the Membership Committee were instructed to make a report as soon as possible to Mr. Stallcup, chairman of the Board of Governors.

There was no further business before the meeting and it adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

Between 5,000,000 and 7,000,000 people visit the forests each year, according to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. The national forests are natural centers of summer recreation, particularly for the masses of people whose vacation must be inexpensive.

Honoring his mother, Mrs. A. E. Mason, who is in her 86th year, C. F. Mason with Mrs. Mason gathered her sons and daughters and grandchildren about the Christmas table in their home at 721 North Answorth avenue.

Mrs. Mason has four daughters and three sons, all married, with 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, who, with husbands and wives, brought about the Christmas table 42 people who were akin—a rare event in the West.

The recent arrival of Mrs. Lou Greer completed the circle, which for the last 15 years has been centering slowly in Tacoma. Each of its members contributed in some way to the entertainment following the dinner, those present being:

George Mason, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mason, Mrs. Lou Greer, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rohrscheib, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. William Hampe, Mr. and Mrs. A. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Rohrscheib, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Rohrscheib, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mason, Mrs. L. McDonald, Elsie Mason, Charley Mason, Alfred Greer, Howard Mason, Lucille Mason, Lucille McDonald, Rex McDonald, Annalee Griffin, Maxine Rohrscheib, Virginia Rohrscheib, Charles McDonald, Lester McDonald, Virginia McDonald, Larry Rohrscheib, Shirley Rohrscheib, Mr. and Mrs. James Mason, Jr.; others being Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Albice and their daughter, Margaret.—Tacoma, Washington Exchange.

## TWO SMALL FIRES CALL OUT COMPANY

Saturday just before noon the fire company was called out by an alarm from the residence of J. B. Rothrock on South Kingshighway. Fire was noticed by neighbors in the roof near the chimney who notified the family. It was but a few minutes until the engine was on the grounds and another minute or two before the fire was put out. A defective flue was the probable cause. The house is owned by Mrs. Henson.

At 3:30 Sunday morning the fire screen screamed out the alarm for another fire. This time it was from Frisco and the John Andres butcher shop was the place. The fire department was soon on the ground but the fragile building was soon a mass of ruins. The fire broke out in the small room at the rear. There was supposed to be no fire in the building and no reason for the fire unless it was of incendiary origin. The big ice box was badly charred on the outside and will have to be rebuilt, while the inside was not hurt. No insurance was carried by Mr. Andres and the loss is keenly felt. Rebuilding will begin at once and Mr. Andres will continue the butcher shop at the same stand.

B. F. Morrison of Oran is in charge of the Kroger store in Sikeston in place of Albert Shields who resigned.

Major Malone, Lieutenants Arterburn, Smith and Dye attended the Governor's ball at the Executive Mansion in Jefferson City.

Representative Fred L. Ogilvie of Scott County, has been assigned to the following committees by Speaker Hunter: Chairman of Public Health and Scientific Institutions, Banks and Banking.

Sunday night burglars entered the National Guard Armory through the second story back window and stole 20 wool shirts and 5 Smith & Wesson 45 calibre army revolvers. It is believed to be the work by local talent and it is hoped they will soon be caught.

Louise Woods, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Woods of North Ranney street, was bitten last Thursday on the arm and leg by a fox terrier belonging to Bill Bowman. Mr. Woods secured a shot gun and killed the dog. He had the head sent to St. Louis for examination.

The farmers of the State are plowing for spring planting and all are in a cheerful and hopeful mood. If we can have another good cotton and sunflower crop they will put our farmers where they can see daylight again. Wheat and corn and corn and wheat year after year has proven to be a losing game and for that reason the corn and wheat acreage is to be divided between cotton and sunflowers. This will give a variety that should give good returns.

Fifteen or twenty fellows crawled through a broken window in the A. J. Matthews mule barn on Front street about a week ago to hold some sort of secret session. Chief of Police Randol heard of it and went down to join the meeting. While he was trying to get through the window those on the inside sought the air and rushed out the front door that they opened from the inside. Uncle Joe feels certain they were in there to talk to the bones but he has no evidence to that effect. He knows who was there, though, and doesn't believe the meeting was called to discuss the political situation.

J. B. Randol, chief of police, recently captured a gallon jug of moonshine whiskey and locked it up in one of the cells in the city jail for safe keeping. A few days ago he locked up a young barber, Chewing by name, but not in the cell with the jug. The next four or five days Chewing appeared to be groggy and claimed he was sick. It dawned on Uncle Joe that the jug was the cause of the grogginess and he proceeded to investigate. Chewing had pulled the sack containing the jug, to the front of the cell and through the bars had tapped the jug. Little of the liquor was left and Uncle Joe poured the balance of it out and Chewing was fully recovered the day after.

Miss Gertrude Leebolt of Harper street, St. Louis, was a visitor to Sikeston last week, stopping with friends. Miss Leebolt is prominent in civic activities, being known as an organizer of great ability. During the war she served as a nurse overseas, being stationed at Brest, later being transferred to close behind the lines at Ypres. At Chateau Thierry, she suffered from a night raid on the hospital, by a German plane. Due to the cool-headedness of the nurses in attendance, there were no other casualties. Miss Leebolt was returned to this country as a casual, but has since regained her health. She is again engaged in work amongst women's organization.

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## NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

**Farm Bureau Holds Annual Meeting**  
New Madrid County Farm Bureau held its annual meeting on Friday of last week. The attendance was light due to favorable weather for early farm work.

The officers elected for next year are: J. K. Robins, President; Geo. M. Meier, Vice-President and A. J. Renner, Secretary.

The main feature of the meeting was an address by C. C. Henry, the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n. Mr. Henry gave a clear and concise explanation of the method of marketing cotton as carried out by other associations.

Those present were very favorably impressed with the results and in favor of the organization of the cotton growers ass'n. for this district.

The report of the County Agent showed that:

Four live stock shipping associations had been organized in the past and had done approximately \$100,000 worth of business in the past year.

800,000 cc serum of hog cholera had been distributed and 7 vaccinating schools held which was attended by approximately 60 farmers.

The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co., has increased over \$200,000 in the past year.

The Farm Loan Ass'n. has loaned \$140,000.

An educational exhibit at the Sikeston District Fair won approximate \$200 in prizes.

22 wheat fields were inspected for purity making pure seed wheat available.

One flock reached the standard for certification. 18 culling demonstrations were held and flocks were culled 20%.

14 state and federal specialists were erected in the county working a total of 48 days.

2 cars of picric acid has been distributed.

2 pig clubs have been organized at New Madrid and Parma.

2 acid phosphate demonstrations was held showing a yield of 10 bushels per acre in corn.

One field of seed sweet potatoes were certified making available 200 bushels of seed.

2 home economics schools have been held teaching the practices of making hats and dress forms.

The report of the Business Agent showed a business of approximately \$12,000 had been done for the Farm Bureau office for the past year.

The delegates selected to attend

the M. F. B. F. were J. K. Robins, G. M. Meier, and A. J. Renner.

### Organization Committee of Cotton Growers' Meeting

The organization committee from eight Southeast Missouri counties met at Sikeston on January 11, 1923 for the purpose of considering advisability of a cotton marketing association for Southeast Missouri. The delegation from New Madrid County were: X. Caverno, G. M. Meier and M. F. Elhers.

All Southeast Missouri counties were represented and in addition two representatives from Pulaski County, Ill., were present.

C. C. Moser, Secretary of the American Cotton Growers' Ass'n, explained the co-operative marketing movement in cotton as well as other commodity organizations. C. G. Henry, President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n., was also present and explained the working of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n.

All the Southeast Missouri counties expressed themselves favorably for the organization for such an association. The representatives from Pulaski Co., Ill., stated that several counties in Illinois were interested in the raising of cotton and all probability would desire to affiliate with Southeast Missouri in the cotton marketing movement. The meeting voted that a permanent organization committee should be elected by the delegates of each county. The following committees were elected:

New Madrid—X. Caverno, Canale; Mississippi County—Hugh McPheeters, Charleston; Scott County—W. H. Tanner, Sikeston; Pemiscot County—C. C. Raine, Hayti; Butler County—J. C. Corrigan, Poplar Bluff; Cape Girardeau County—Julian N. Friant, Cape Girardeau; Dunklin County—A. R. Zimmerman, Clarkton.

Fred Naeter of Cape Girardeau and Dwight H. Brown of Poplar Bluff were appointed as representatives of the press interests.

S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau was appointed as representative of the banking interests.

The organization committee had a short session after the general meeting and will meet on Thursday, January 18.

### Certified Seed Sweet Potatoes Available

300 bushels of certified seed sweet potatoes will be available for farmers of this section this year. J. W. Collins of Lilbourn, has produced these potatoes which are of the Porto Rico variety.

E. M. Page of the Agricultural Extension Service, came to inspect the

potatoes. The certified seed project is a part of the program of work of the Farm Bureau.

Seed sweet potatoes to be certified must be true to name free from disease.

### Farm Loan Ass'n Pays Dividend

New Madrid County National Farm Loan Ass'n held its annual meeting of stockholders on Tuesday, January 9. The board of directors voted to pay 50% of the dividends that have been received from the Federal Land Bank, that have been credited to each man's account.

The officers and directors elected were: W. S. Edwards, President; C. R. Post, Vice-President; J. M. Miles, Secretary-Treasurer; S. R. Shy, E. V. Jewett and G. M. Meier.

The following is report of financial statement of the Association as of January 1st:

Resources	
Cash in Commercial Trust	
Company .....	\$ 837.87
Accounts receivable .....	451.98
Bills Receivable .....	1325.00
Federal Land Bank .....	18475.00
Reserve Account:	
Federal Land Bank Bonds .....	206.58
Time Deposit .....	25.00
Total Resources .....	\$21321.43

Liabilities & Capital Stock	
Undivided Earnings .....	\$ 844.52
Dividends from Federal Land Bank on Stock .....	1991.91
Reserve Account Earnings .....	10.00
Capital Stock (Held by members) .....	18475.00
Total Liabilities and capital stock .....	\$21321.43

## NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

W. A. Hunter and wife of New Madrid County to E. M. Wiman of Yale County, Ill.: Lot 24 and all of lot 17 in L. A. Lewis 2nd sub-division to the city of Lilbourn. \$1000.

Maggie Hardin and husband of Clarkton to W. H. Pavy of Hartzell: Lot 2 in block 6 in the town of Hartzell. \$40.

S. G. Camp and wife of Lilbourn to Fred Tope and wife of New Madrid County: Lot 66 range E in the city of Lilbourn. \$100.00.

Noah Atchley, et al to L. D. Waters, all of New Madrid County: A parcel of ground adjoining lot 4, blk. 1 1st addition to the town of Matthews. For a more particular description see page 216, ook 79. \$800.

Jennie Anderson and husband to Harry Black of New Madrid County: Lots 15 and 16, blk. 29 of the city of Morehouse. \$1600.

Louis M. Koch and James A. McFeely of St. Louis to Theodore A. Gross and wife of St. Louis. The west 1/2 of SW 1/4 sec. 26, twp. 21, range 11 lying south of the pole road, containing 70.40 acres and that portion of the SE 1/4 of section 27, range 11, lying east of the center line ditch 1 of the L. R. D. D., containing 60.35 acres. \$100 and other valuable consideration.

Louis M. Koch and wife to Theodore A. Cross and wife of St. Louis: East 1/2 of the NE 1/4 sec. 26, twp. 22 range 11 containing 80 acres. \$100 and other valuable considerations.

B. F. Swartz of Matthews to Ela and Van Vaughn of New Madrid County: Lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 10 in B. F. Swartz add. to the village of Catron. \$130.

Marriage Licenses  
Ollie Brown Williams and Lulu May Ledford, both of Marston.

E. L. Beardsley and Della Murphy, both of Marston.

Elvis Long and Lena Love, both of Hartzell.

Louis Ferrell and Beulah Jenkins, both of Caruthersville.

Murray Klein has purchased the Dr. Stewart property on South Kingshighway and will occupy same this spring.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children of Grand Chain, Ill. arrived Friday of last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard on Dorothy street.

There are many bargains yet to be found at Farmers Supply Co., while the stock is low the assortment is fairly complete. This would be a splendid opportunity for someone to engage in the furniture business, as this is for sale and it would only take a small capital to handle it.

Chas. L. Blanton, Jr., of The Sikeston Standard, came down yesterday afternoon and remained over night in this city, looking after matters of private business as well as conferring with Secretary Litzfelfner upon affairs having to do with the Fair Association, Mr. Blanton being secretary of his local fair organization. He also attended the dance at the Armory hall last night and we acknowledge a brief fraternal call from him upon his arrival yesterday afternoon.—Caruthersville Democrat.

## THE BOLL WEEVIL AND THE CORN BELT

Thoughtful northern farmers are now watching with a great deal of interest the struggle the cotton growers of the south are making to bring the boll weevil under control. There is good reason why the northern farmer should be interested. Unless cotton farmers can continue to grow cotton profitably, they will from very necessity grow more corn and live stock, which they have heretofore purchased from the north in great quantities. The experience of the last two or three years has shown us very clearly that the addition of a few hundred million bushels of corn to a normal crop depresses the price out of all proportion to the increase in production. Northern farmers, therefore, have a very direct financial interest in the fight against the boll weevil. Cotton is the great cash crop of the south. The soil and climate and labor conditions are all favorable to cotton production. It would pay southern farmers to diversify their farming more than they have up to the present time. It would pay them to grow more corn and live stock; but their farming must center around cotton.

Recent reports indicate progress in fighting the boll weevil. At one of the southern experiment stations there seems to have been developed an improved method of using the arsenical poison which has been found effective against the insect, but which heretofore has been too expensive except on land which will produce over half a bale to the acre. This new method seems to justify its use on land which produces less than a half bale. It is to be hoped that it will be found successful throughout the cotton section.—Wallaces' Farmer.

### CHARLES JONES HERE IN "TROOPER O'NEIL"

A Fox production of more than ordinary interest is coming to the Malone Theatre Saturday. It is called "Trooper O'Neil", and the star is Charles Jones. A reviewer in another city says of this film: "It is a breath of the Canadian woodlands. When the picture opens you are greeted by a scene where snow-capped peaks raise their crests, plumed with giant pines. That is the background for a story which is swift in action and engrossing in theme. The beauty of the settings is cleverly blended with the ever-increasing charm of this spirited romance. Situation follows situation in rapidly increasing succession to the final stirring climax. And rarely has a climax been more powerful".

Mrs. Ranney Applegate is ill. Miss Golda Fowler, who has been in California, is at home on a visit. Mrs. Henry Welsh's recital in the ladies parlor of the M. E. Church on Saturday afternoon was a very enjoyable program. Five of the pupils who were to play were unable to do so on account of illness. Those who did perform showed excellent training.

The work of a civil engineer is quite as much within the province of a woman as a man, according to Miss Oliver Dennis, who for the last two years has been connected with the bridge engineering department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and who regards her work as a very natural profession for a woman.

A telegram from M. S. Murray, dated Chicago, January 18, where he was attending the Builders Convention, stating that his brother, Allen Murray, had died in that city and was to be buried in Dayton, Ohio. At one time he owned The Sikeston Standard having purchased same from M. G. Gresham. He lived in Sikeston about four years.

The picture shown at the Malone Theatre by the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., on last Tuesday afternoon, was a success in every way. Mrs. Barker, a representative of the Billiken Shoe Co., entertained the school children and grown-ups and a very enjoyable hour and half entertainment was had. The theatre was entirely filled, showing that Buckner-Ragsdale's efforts to advertise that special line of shoes were appreciated.

The Sikeston Chapter of Eastern Star held their installation of officers last Friday evening with the following installed: Mrs. James Mccabee, Worth Matron; Ed Hollingsworth, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Steve Humphries, Assistant Matron; Mrs. Clarence Felker, Conductress; Mrs. Roy Johnson, Associate Conductress; Mrs. L. C. Erdmann, Marshal; A. B. Dill, Warden; Mrs. C. A. Cook, Chaplain; Mrs. Vernon Vaughn, Treasurer; Mrs. Frank Mount, Secretary; Mrs. Emma Kendall, Organist. After the installation, a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments of cream and cake were served. The Masons and their wives and the husbands of the Eastern Stars were invited.

### CHARLESTON PULLMAN SERVICE IS DENIED

The Missouri Pacific Railroad does not feel justified at this time in a restoration of the Charleston-St. Louis Pullman service, as requested in a resolution passed by the Business Mens' League at its meeting last week. A letter to the effect was received Monday by the Enterprise-Courier from C. L. Stone, passenger traffic manager, who asserts that the former service, abandoned about the first of last year, when a number of main line trains were taken off, was non-remunerative.—Enterprise-Courier, Charleston.

The Sikeston Hardware Co. owned by J. H. Galeener, J. H. Yount and C. L. Prow, and managed by Mr. Prow, has passed to the ownership of Mr. Prow, who is now taking invoice of stock. Further announcement will be made in the next issue of The Standard.

Donald Davis, a former High School boy has entered as one of the thirteen contestants for the Inter-student Oratorical Contest, to be held at the Teachers College auditorium on the evening of February 2, when a representative will be chosen to enter the college contest in Cape Girardeau, March 23.

### First Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School. Classes for all ages and grades. J. C. Horne, superintendent.  
11:00—Morning Worship. Singing led by choir. Sermon by pastor.  
6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and social worship. Young peoples ideal place in training for service. Come it will help you.  
7:30—Evening worship. Spiritual songs. Sermon by the pastor. For-sake not the assembling of yourselves together as the habit of some is. He who neglects the worship of God is on the downward road to decay of the best and most vital things. It pays to follow Jesus.

WANTED TO BUY—House in Sikeston. Describe fully together with best price and terms. P. O. Box 537, Sikeston, Mo.

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A good man to cultivate 50 acres in corn, 10 acres in cotton, on shares. Fine land, good house and barn.

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## NOTICE TO WOMEN

## BANKRUPT SALE AT PEARSON'S CAIRO, ILLINOIS

Smart Shop of Women's ready-to-wear Garments Start Saturday Morning, January 20, 9 a. m. sharp, and will continue from day to day until the entire stock is sold out.

BY ORDER OF THE U. S. COURT IN BANKRUPTCY, PEARSON'S ENTIRE READY TO WEAR STOCK and millinery was ordered to be sold for the benefit of the creditors. This Pearson Bankrupt Stock consists of the finest COATS, SUITS, DRESSES, WRAPS, KYRSERS ITALIAN SILK HOSIERY AND UNDERGARMENTS, VAN-RAALTE SILK HOSIERY, FINE BLOUSES, CELEBRITY AND LORENE, NEW YORKS FINEST MILLINERY, in fact the finest ready to wear stock carried by any concern in this section of Illinois. This entire stock will be placed on sale commencing SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20, at 9 a. m. sharp, at retail and will continue from day to day until the entire stock is closed out. It will pay you to come a 100 miles to visit this BANKRUPT SALE.

Prices quoted for this sale that will set the smart dressers wild with excitement and will be remembered for years to come. By all means don't miss this opportunity. Women's \$25.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses in this BANKRUPT SALE \$12.45. Women's and Misses \$40.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses \$19.85. Women's and Misses \$50.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses Bankrupt Sale \$24.85. Women's and Misses \$75.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses on sale \$34.75, etc. Women's \$5.00 Blouses \$2.45. Women's and Misses \$8.00 Blouses \$3.95. Women's \$10.00 Blouses, sale, \$4.85. Women's and Misses \$15.00 Blouses \$7.45, etc. One lot Women's \$1.75 Black Silk Hose only 79c. All Kyser and Van-Raalte Italian and pure silk Hosiery 1-3 of former selling prices. All Silk Undergarments, including Kyser's famous Italian Silk Undergarments 1-3 of former selling prices. All La Camille famous Corsets and Brassiers 1-3 of former selling prices. All our Fur Pieces, Chokers, Throws, Scarfs on sale 1-3 of former prices. All MILLINERY ON SALE at 1-3 of former prices as follows: All Pearson's \$15.00 Hats, Bankrupt Sale Price \$4.95. All \$10.00 Hats, Bankrupt Sale Price \$3.35. All \$7.50 Hats, Bankrupt Sale \$2.45. One Special Large Lot of Hats, values up to \$10.00 Special the Opening Day on Sale \$1.00.

Remember all Coats, Suits, Dresses, Waists, Silk and Wool Sweaters on Sale at exactly 1-2 price, some are less. All of Pearson's Original Price Tickets Remain on the Garments, so you can see the reductions on all goods marked in Plain Figures. Don't miss this Bankrupt Sale. Come Saturday if you can. Come early every day.

Phone your friends. Tell your neighbors. Come Saturday.

## Pearson's Bankrupt

sale in charge of The Oberman Sales Co., Halliday Building, on Eighth St. Look for the Yellow Signs Reading Bankrupt Sale.

## MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF JANUARY 22nd

Nights 7:15 O'clock

MONDAY & TUESDAY

MAE MURRAY in

### "FASCINATION"

also "HINDUSTAN" with Sinnett, the Miracle Man.

Admission 20c & 40c

WEDNESDAY

ALICE JOYCE in

### "Inner Chamber"

Also "HINDUSTAN". Admission 20c & 40c

Special Matinee—Ladies Only

THURSDAY

MARIE PREVOST in

### "Don't Get Personal"

Als Fun From Press an MOVIE CHAT. Admission 10c & 20c

FRIDAY

Special Feature. JACK HOLT and DOROTHY DALTON supported by MITCHELL LEWIS in

### "On High Seas"

From the popular story by Edward Sheldon. Two popular stars in a stirring love story of the sea. Also KEATON in "HAUNTED HOUSE"

SATURDAY

HARRY CAREY in

### "Kick Back"

Also Episode 7 of RUTH ROLAND in

"TIMBER QUEEN"

MATINEE—2:30



and his production of Oriental splendor

## "HINDUSTAN"

See the science-baffling

### "BOMBAY SEANCE"

The most amazing performance ever presented on any stage.

A special matinee for

### LADIES ONLY

will be given on Wednesday, 2:40 p. m. Admission same as night.

In Conjunction With Special Picture Program



## COMPLETE PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION AND TOWN REPORT NO. 36 ON SIKESTON

### Town in General

Government—A mayor and eight aldermen elected for two years. **Population**—3,613 (1920 census) 3,327 (1910); 1,077 (1900). **Area**—About 1 1/4 sq. mi. about one-half built upon. **Topography**—Flat. **Streets**—Mercantile district and part of residential section, paved; others, gravel or dirt; railroad grade crossings to south residential section and minor mercantile center. **Climatic Conditions**—Prevailing winds from the south; conditions generally not severe. **Supporting Industries**—Agricultural community; large flour mill and grain elevator. **Mercantile District**—The principal district comprises about twelve acres in the center of town. **Brick construction** prevails; average height, two-story. **Heating** by stoves and steam; brick flues; electric lighting, general. The conflagration hazard is moderate. A minor center in west end of town. **Dwellings**—Generally frame; shingle roofs; clearances between are fair. **Fire Records**—The number of fires and losses since January 1st are very high.

### General Features of Fire Fighting Facilities

**Waterworks**—Municipal water system; power from privately owned utility. **System**—Combined gravity and pumping. **Source**—Two wells; apparently adequate; no shortage reported, but some trouble from sand. **Pump House**—Intermediate location; fire-proof; moderate exposure; public protection; constant attendance at site; fire alarms received by phone. **Power House**—Remote location; brick non-fire-proof; moderate exposure; public and private protection; constant attendance. **Pumps**—Total capacity 1,650,000-gal. per day in two electric units. **Power**—From remote sources (at Cape Girardeau) four steam boilers and two electric generators adequate for pumping load; two reserve electric units and three boilers at Charleston. **Storage**—One 60,000-gal. tank at inadequate elevation for fire pressure direct from hydrants is kept in service for fires. **Underground System**—Fair gridiron of 8", 6" and 4" pipe in mercantile district; short to long loops and dead ends of 6" and 4" pipe elsewhere; 59'-4" pipe; 12 1/2'-dead end 4" pipe. Total about 9 1/4 mi. of cast iron pipe; 8"-2,600'; 6"-17,000'; 4"-28,400'. **Gate Valves**—Total, 69; effective spacing is generally wide; no regular inspection. **Fire Hydrants**—Total 68; double 2 1/2" outlets threaded standard; operation uniform; no regular inspection; condition, generally good, distribution, fair to good. **Pressure and Fire Flows**—Normal pressures of 50 to 53 lb. in all sections are used for fires. The greatest number of standard fire streams available at 60 lb. in the mercantile district, none; but at pressure adequate to supply fire engine, about two for 10-hr. period, 2 1/2 for 5-hr. period or 3 1/4 for 2-hr. period. The standard of fire flow for the mercantile district is about 8 standard fire streams each of 250-gal. per min. at 60 lb. pressure in the mains. **Records and Maps**—Map of mains, valves and hydrants. **Elevations**—The mercantile district is about 20' above pumps and about 100' below base of elevated tank. **FIRE DEPARTMENT**—Organization—A "call" chief, one full-paid man, and 11 call men paid for services; no rules, drills nor building inspections. **Fire Station**—Exposed non-fireproof brick; centrally located. **Apparatus and Equipment**—One 400-gal. automobile pump, chemical and hose truck; one hand-drawn reel in reserve belonging to water department; minor equipment, fair. **Hose**—Total, 2,300' of 2 1/2"; couplings threaded standard; hose dried in outside tower; condition, appears fair to good. **Fire Methods**—A light automobile pumper; fair sized shut-off nozzles used; chemical equipment, fair; no long ladders; hose supply, good; only one full-paid man; no waterproof covers. **Records**—Complete records on fires are kept. **Outside Aid**—Remote. **Fire Alarm**—Constant commercial telephone service; alarms transmitted to call men from common terminal; general alarm by electric siren operated direct from telephone exchange. **Police**—One on duty at day and one at night.

**Fire Prevention Provisions**  
**FIRE LIMITS**—They comprise the principal and minor mercantile districts wherein frame construction and combustible roofs are prohibited; small wooden sheds permitted; fairly effective in principal mercantile district. Meager regulations on stove pipes and flues; no enforcement.

**ELECTRICAL LAWS**—None; conditions of interior wiring is generally poor.

**EXPLOSIVES AND INFLAMMABLES**—Dynamite permitted in magazines; fireworks prohibited; waste in mercantile district must be burned or stored in metal containers; ordinances meager.

**General Recommendations**  
1. Pumps—Overhaul triplex pump

so that it will deliver its full rated capacity.

2. Pump House—(a) Install all electrical wiring to conform to the National Electrical Code. (b) Provide chemical extinguishers suitable for electrical fires.

3. Power—(a) The electric transmission line from Poplar Bluff should be extended to Sikeston. (b) If municipal power plant is installed at Sikeston, sufficient power units should be installed to carry the maximum pumping and electric load.

4. Underground System—(c) All future extensions to system supplying fire hydrants should be not smaller than 6" pipe. (b) Eliminate dead-end mains where practicable. (c) Install the following mains or their effective equivalent:

(d) size 6" along Scott from Malone to Gladys.

(e) 6" along Malone from School to Delmar.

(f) 6" along Kingshighway from Woodlawn to Wakefield.

(g) 6" Gladys from Delmar to Frisco.

(h) Inspect all gate valves at least annually to insure good operation and wide open position.

5. Fire Hydrants—Test all fire hydrants at least semi-annually and inspect them before and during freezing weather.

6. Records—Install a recording pressure gage on the system and keep a record of water pumped.

7. Fire Department—The fire department force should be organized with rules and regular drills in the best fire methods.

8.—Apparatus—(a) Maintain in reserve for exclusive fire department use a cart loaded with 500' of 2 1/2" fire hose arranged for towing, or drawn by hand (design of cart furnished on application). (b) Provide waterproof covers on fire truck or relief valves for connecting fire hose lines direct to hydrants.

9. Hose—Maintain at all times not less than 1500' to 2000' of good 2 1/2" fire hose, wetted inside occasionally, always dried in an inside tower, and tested annually to 200 lb. static pressure. Now hose purchased should preferably bear the "label" of the Underwriters Laboratories.

10. Ordinances—With fire limits of adequate extent adopt modern regulations controlling buildings, flues, heating equipment, electric wiring, explosives, highly flammable liquids and materials, rubbish and ashes; all under effective fire department inspection and supervision. (Suitable modern ordinances will be furnished on application).

### Conclusion

The public fire protection is ample for the present allowed 4 1/2 classification. To attain 4th classification, item No. 1 of the "General Recommendations" is submitted.

The pumps, water storage, pressure and fire flow are fair for the class. The source of water supply, pump house, power, mains, hydrants, fire department force, fire station, apparatus, equipment, and fire alarm are good for the class.

The ancient Egyptians, Phoenicians and Persians began their new year at the autumnal solstice (September 21) and the Greeks until the Fifth century, B. C., began the year at the winter solstice (December 21). In 432, B. C., the Greeks changed the festival to June 21, the beginning of summer.

Albert Cox, who is employed by Louie Shields at La Forge, while working Thursday morning, put his knife with the blade open in his coat pocket. While pulling on a rope, which he wanted to cut, his hand slipped and he fell back on the ground, his right arm just above the elbow striking the knife inflicting a deep cut, which nearly passed entirely thru his arm. The arm was corded to stop the profuse flow of blood and Mr. Cox came to this city to have his arm dressed by Dr. Fake.—New Madrid Record.

It is seldom that justice operates with such rapidity in the matter of crime as in the case of Harry James, a negro, who shot at Riley Malone, a crippled white man in this city, Sunday night. Monday James was arraigned before justice Henderson and waiving preliminary his case was booked for the circuit court and as that tribunal was then in session the accused went into circuit court, pleaded guilty to the charge of assault with intent to kill and was sentenced by Judge Ing to seven years in the penitentiary—and what is further remarkable in the matter of expedition, James started on his way to the penitentiary Tuesday at 11 a. m., Hon. L. E. Tedrick taking him on No. 32, Mr. Tedrick himself going to Jefferson City to attend the forthcoming session of the Legislature, which met Wednesday.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

## RETAIL MERCHANTS INVITED TO ST. LOUIS

Plans are being perfected by the Advertising Club and merchants in St. Louis concerning the "merchandising institute" which promises to make St. Louis the mecca of retailers, wholesalers and advertising men on February 6, 7, 8. The institute will be a part of the Seventh District Conference of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World.

The seventh district includes nearly all the trade territory of St. Louis and Kansas City, and store owners in this part of the country are being invited and urged to attend and bring one or two of their clerks along, if possible.

The theme of the conference will be "move more merchandise", and because of the interest all retailers have in this subject a large attendance is forecast. The dates coincide with the spring buying season, and merchants from all over the southwest are arranging their buying trip to include these dates, and are sending in reservations.

Features of the program definitely scheduled include the appearance of thirty nationally known authorities on retailing, merchandising and advertising. A comprehensive series of educational talks and classes will be held on the afternoons of the above dates, where show card writing, window trimming writing and laying out of newspaper advertising and direct mail campaigns will be demonstrated by experts.

Exhibits costing and representing thousands of dollars, illustrating and visualizing for the retailer, wholesaler, and manufacturer what to do and what not to do to get more business and more goods will be on display.

Photographs of different types of window trims, illustrating applications of principles in decorating grocery, hardware and dry-goods windows will be shown, and complete store fronts will be on display, showing the right and wrong methods of using this valuable space. Methods of tying up store display and newspaper advertising so both will get results will be explained.

The program of speakers includes such men as Samuel A. McKelvie, Governor of Nebraska, Lou Holland, President of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, Joseph Meadon, President of the Direct Mail Advertising Association, Fred P. Mann of Devil's Lake, North Dakota, one of the most successful retailers in the United States, and George W. Hopkins, Vice-President of the Columbia Phonograph Company, New York City.

Headquarters for the conference have been established at Hotel Statler, and an information booth is functioning there under the direction of Chas. W. Collier, Executive Secretary of the Advertising Club of St. Louis. A campaign of publicity has been started to make it plain that this conference will not be limited to advertising men or members of advertising clubs, as all men and women who are interested in "moving more merchandise" are invited.

Negotiations are now under way with all railroads serving the trade territory, and reduced rates are promised delegates in the seventh district, which includes Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. These rates amount to fare and one-half for a round trip. Hotel Statler will be headquarters, and reservations should be sent to the Advertising Club of St. Louis, at that address.

General supervision of arrangements is in the hands of Bert Barnett of the Friedman-Sheley S' Company, Chairman of the conference.

Of the 200,000 negro soldiers sent overseas during the World War, battle deaths amounted to 474, while the total deaths were 9,765.

# 666

Cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs.

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HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions.

Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

**Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic**  
Makes the Body Strong.  
Makes the Blood Rich. 60c

## DEMOCRATS REDUCING LEGISLATIVE CLERKS

Jefferson City, Mo., January 6.—Reduction of the number of clerks in the House of Representatives from more than 250 to a total of 123, including all officers and employees, was the first stroke of economy which was made by Democratic Legislators who are in control of that body. A like reduction in the number employed in the Senate has been forecast by President Pro Tem W. R. Painter and Senator Frank H. Farris, Democratic leader. Democratic leaders in both branches express a determination that the affairs of state be returned to an economical status which marked the party's rule for more than forty years.

The clerical force committees in the Senate and House are composed of men who are anxious that expenditures be kept to the minimum. In the Senate Senator Nick Cave of Fulton is chairman with Senators Kinney, James, McMurtry, Anderson of Scott, Democrats; Pickett and Warner, Republicans.

The House Clerical committee is headed by Representative Dale of Ray county, whose policies are in keeping with the party's campaign pledges.

Speaker Oak Hunter of Randolph, in assuming his position, declared economy must be the watchword. "We have two women in this House and I am glad to welcome them as members of the Democratic party," said Speaker Hunter, "and we must look well to the interests of the taxpayers of Missouri or we will see more of them here in the future."

Senator Farris, Democratic floor-leader, says the practice of employing officers from outside of the state by the Hyde administration will be the subject of some investigation.

Representative D. L. Bales, Democratic House leader, says some of the first measures to be presented this week will be for the repeal of the State Tax Commission, reduction of the state tax rate, equalization of salaries paid clerks in the various state departments, repeal of the State Beverage Inspection Department, and the issuance of \$450,000 bonds to complete paying bonus to Missouri's former service men.

The opening of the Legislature was enlivened by discovery of an effort to fraudulently collect \$7,822 by unknown persons on a bill against the state which had been paid and the fact that W. H. Crouch, secretary of the State Mining Bureau, had cashed the salary warrant of the stenographer in his office and retained a portion of the salary each month. Democrats plan to change the form of state warrants in order that this evil may be thwarted. Crouch has since resigned. Crouch is said to have come here as a personal appointee of the Governor. Crouch formerly resided at Bethany.

## SEN. WHITECOTTON LOADED FOR BEAR

Hon. James H. Whitecotton, state senator from the Monroe county district, had a bunch of bills of unusual interest to office holders and taxpayers when he left Paris this week to begin his legislative duties at Jefferson City.

One of the measures proposes to wipe out the Hotel Inspection department which was created under a bill introduced by Frank W. McAllister, a former senator from this district.

Another measure proposes radical reductions in the salaries of county school superintendents and prosecuting attorneys.

Another measure proposes to abolish the tax commission at Jefferson City.

A bill of more vital importance to the senator's constituents, especially those who own real estate, is one which proposes to relieve Missouri citizens from burdens incident to paying taxes on money they owe on their places. The bill is modeled after the Indiana law and there is no doubt of its constitutionality.

Senator Whitecotton proposes to replace present statutory assessment provisions, which militate against a farm owner, with the plain language of the constitution, which directs that all property shall be assessed in proportion to its value, not at its full value, at the time of the assessment.—Paris Appeal.

Charles Dunivan and Dolph Hanners of McGee recently lost three fine fox hounds in a rather peculiar manner. The hounds were running a fox and were getting so close at the heels of the animal that it jumped into an old well. The hounds followed the fox into the well and all drowned before Dunivan and Hanner could get there. The dogs were known as some of the best fox hounds in this section.—Piedmont Banner.

## Mules For Sale

We have received a car load of good mules purchased at Fredericktown that we will trade or sell to those in need of them. Sound and guaranteed. See them at the barn.

**McCord Bros.**  
Sikeston, Mo.

**J. GOLDSTEIN,**  
Purchaser of Scrap Iron  
Old Metal of All Kinds  
Rags, Feathers and Rubber

Located in J. A. Matthews' Wagon Yard  
Cash paid for everything

**J. B. ALBRITTON**



**UNDERTAKER  
AND EMBALMER**  
Sikeston, Mo.

Located at Greenhouse

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT  
AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

Flowers for All Occasions

## ST. LOUIS LIKELY TO GET DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Washington, January 6.—Although Democrats high in the councils of the party insist no thought has been placed on where the 1924 national convention will be held it is known that a strong effort will be made to hold it in a middle west city. The two prominently mentioned are Kansas City and St. Louis and as both doubtless will make strong overtures, it is not unlikely that one of these will be chosen.

It is almost certain, however, that Chicago will bid and pressure will be exerted to have the convention in the east. Also it is probable Cleveland will enter the lists.

However it appears that either St. Louis or Kansas City would have the first call. Democrats probably will make a play for middle west votes, but it is unlikely that they would venture to go as far west as Denver, and certainly not to any coast city.



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**15 for 10¢**

AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.

The first discovery of a disease producing bacteria was made by the French pathologist Davaine, in 1854 in a study of sheep anthrax.

## Ah, How Juicy Tender!

THAT'S the expression that usually accompanies the first forkful of meat purchased from our shop. Not only is it palatable, but contains all of the nourishment that nature put into it. Our meats are purchased daily, giving you an assurance of its high quality. The economical housewife makes ours her Meat headquarters.

## Sellards Meat Market

PHONE 18

## FOR EXCHANGE

Splendid 160 acres located in Scott County, Missouri. Improved with a 5-room frame house, good barn, tenant house; well fenced and cross-fenced. All in cultivation except 30 acres timbered pasture. Fine black cypress land. Will exchange this for a larger tract of unimproved land or a larger tract of improved land.

A splendid 313 acre tract in Sullivan County, Missouri; well improved and in a high state of cultivation to exchange for land in Southeast Missouri.

267 1/2 acres in Sullivan County, Missouri. Nicely improved and one of the best stock and grain farms in that section. Want land in Southeast Missouri.

\$150,000 worth of good second deeds of trust on fine Missouri farms. Will trade all or part for improved or unimproved land in Southeast Missouri.

A fine tract of 211 acres in Mercer County, Missouri with a new 7-room bungalow and good outbuildings. This tract joins the Iowa line and is in a section where there is always a demand for a farm of this kind.

394 acre stock and grain farm in Boone County, Missouri. This is not far from the State University. Will trade this for land in Southeast Missouri. Want improved farm in Southeast Missouri.

400 acres in Pike County, Missouri. This is in a drainage district and is in a high state of cultivation. Nearly 300 acres in wheat; one-half of which goes to the landlord, the balance for corn the coming season. The soil is rich Mississippi bottom land. Fair improvements, splendid location. This tract is about 65 miles from St. Louis. Would exchange this for large tract of cut-over land in Southeast Missouri.

Over \$100,000 worth of stock in a reciprocal Insurance Exchange located in Kansas City. This stock has paid as high as 10%. Will put in this and some money on a good Southeast Missouri farm. Must be well located and good improvements.

Town property wanted in exchange for an improved 80 acre tract close to a splendid market town in Scott County. Want property in Sikeston or any good Southeast Missouri town.

Improved Southeast Missouri farm wanted in exchange for a 200 acre dairy proposition in Tulare County, California. 100 head of fine Holstein, lot of other stock and tools, machinery, etc. Over \$8,000 year received from sale of milk. This is high class property and you can make a splendid deal if you have something good here to offer in exchange.

For further information, see or write

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Sikeston, Mo.



## COTTON MEN OF S. E. MISSOURI FAVOR MARKET ORGANIZATION

First steps in organizing a Southeast Missouri Cotton Marketing Association were taken at a meeting in Sikeston Thursday of last week, there being representatives from eight Southeast Missouri counties and one from one Illinois county present.

The idea of organizing such an association was unanimously approved by the delegates from all counties represented.

The conference was held in the auditorium of the City Hall, with a large number of business men and farmers taking part. The regular delegates appointed from the various counties of Southeast Missouri were: New Madrid, George Meier, M. F. Ehlers and W. H. Sikes; Dunklin, P. R. Richardson and C. E. James; Stoddard, C. O. Walker and James Hux; Cape Girardeau, S. B. Hunter, Julien N. Friant and John H. Gehrs; Pemisecot, Gideon Crews, S. P. Reynolds and C. O. Raine; Butler, Irl Brite and E. D. Walker; Mississippi, C. A. Sackery, A. S. Hult, Thad Snow and Wm. Holloway; Scott, Theo. Hopper, Floyd Collins, Louis Watkins, Frank Emerson, Emmett Burke and Ed Chewing.

Chairman Raine then stated that the meeting was to discuss the feasibility of an organization for marketing cotton in Southeast Missouri and asked C. O. Moser, of Dallas, Texas, secretary of the American Cotton Growers Exchange to explain the plan adopted in other states for marketing the product.

Mr. Moser spoke at length on the subject, explaining the need of business methods in this matter and showing by illustrations that the plan had been successful in the eight states already working through the state organizations and the American exchange, which performs the functions of a clearing house and deals with problems of marketing in which all the state organizations are interested, explaining that the business of the exchange was to handle sales of cotton to the big eastern markets and in Europe for all the associated marketing associations, thereby obviating the necessity for each state organization maintaining a selling agency in these markets.

He gave instances of considerable profit having been made through this plan, not only in preventing friction between the various state organizations, but by dividing the overhead costs of the selling business between the local associations.

He said that the plan had effected a saving of one-half of a cent to two cents on every pound sold.

He explained, also, that this central organization gave a more stabilized force for dealing with large buyers in our eastern markets and in Europe and that many large customers had been secured who would look to the exchange for all their cotton products in the future.

His address was an able one, entering into all details in such a manner that those present were given a clear understanding of the plan and its successful operations in disposing of cotton products at a great profit to the members of the organizations.

Another speaker, C. G. Henry of Newport, Ark., a banker of that city and president of the Arkansas Cotton Growers Marketing Association, explained in detail as to the organization, its methods and its success in his state.

He asserted that the fear of an inability to finance the association in Missouri need not stand in the way, as the scheme had been so successful in Arkansas that his state organization was being offered more financial backing than it could use.

He also offered the services of his selling organization to the Missouri association at the same cost that it paid the Arkansas branch, which would effect a large saving to the Missourians in their first year's work.

He refuted the accusation that farmers will not stick together in any movement by telling that of the 6000 farmers who had signed a contract for membership last year not one had failed to live up to contract, except a few who had so deeply mortgaged their crops that they could not enter them in the selling pool, which condition had come about previous to the forming of the marketing association.

Mr. Henry said that the cotton growers of the states that had gone into this plan felt that it was the only one in which they could handle their selling business satisfactorily and profitably.

But he warned the Missourians not to be too enthusiastic in the matter. "Stick to your grain farming and raise plenty of food and feed for your needs," he advised. "Do not undertake more than you can accomplish satisfactorily, or your venture will prove disastrous," was his warning.

Many questions were asked by the delegates and others interested and Messrs. Moser and Henry answered these questions fully and satisfactorily.

They explained about the ginning, transportation and selling of the product, giving advice as to how the Missourians should proceed.

In order to complete the organization of the Missouri association an organization committee was named, composed of one cotton grower in each county, with three others from the district, a banker, a business man and a member of the press.

The members of this committee were chosen by the various delegates and are as follows: New Madrid, X. Caverno; Mississippi, Hugh McPheters; Scott, W. H. Tanner; Butler, John C. Corrigan; Cape Girardeau, Julien Friant; Dunklin, A. R. Zimmerman; Mound City, Illinois, William Bestgen.

The banker member of the organization committee is S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau. Fred Naeter of Cape Girardeau and Dwight H. Brown of Poplar Bluff were named as the press members for the committee.

Two delegates were present from Southern Illinois—W. R. Eastman and William Bestgen of Mound City—who explained that the farmers in their vicinity had agreed to plant about 700 acres to cotton and that they wanted to become members of the Southeast Missouri marketing association.

In addition to the delegates at the conference there were many men from the various counties of Southeast Missouri, among them being all the county farm agents in the district, except from Scott county he being kept away by illness. H. L. Hensley of the State Agriculture College and L. E. Rast of Wilson, Arkansas, were also present and took part in the discussions.

### Let's Finish the Job

Few public officials have won such general commendation as have the five members of the state highway commission, Gary, Connert, Matthews, Carleton and Buehler. Not that there has not been criticism and disappointment over road location but no citizen who amount to anything ever has questioned the ability or integrity of these men nor asserted they were governed by any motive except to do their very best for the state. Buehler, state geologist and ex-officio member, is a state employee and this work might be considered a part of his job but I know Buehler has made sacrifices to serve. Not one of the others but accepted the position at heavy sacrifice of time and money. Perhaps no one action of Governor Hyde has won such wide approval as the selection of these men.

Having convinced themselves that we have a commission big enough for the job, Missouri people are not going to stand for the work of the obstructionists who would hold up the building program and leave unfinished the work begun. It would be manifestly unfair to the citizens of counties where contracts were not let last year if the legislature failed to approve further bond issues and the state allowed to remain cut up in sections of hard and dirt roads. So soon as the farmer is given a highway whereon he can transport his goods to market that soon will his transportation ills be alleviated.

There has been a tremendous increase in trucking, even with dirt roads. With hard roads much of the livestock and produce shipped to our cities will go by truck and the farmer can let extortionate freight rates go hang. Not one county in Missouri but should have road building before the close of this year.—Missouri Ruralist.

Beetles, moths and butterflies do not grow after they are out of the caterpillar stage.

Voss Williams, formerly the manager of The Lair Music Store in Sikeston, was here Friday afternoon and called on The Standard.

The Blodgett High School basketball boys and girls team journeyed to New Madrid Tuesday evening to play the New Madrid teams. The game between the girls was fast, furious and exciting, and New Madrid won by a score of 9 to 8. The boys game was very one sided, 25 to 2 in favor of Blodgett.

Now comes one James W. Price, director of publicity of the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, and asks the country weeklies of the State to let the members of the Senate and Legislature for an increased appropriation for that fair. Here is how The Standard proposes to let. The State has paid for the grounds and the building and has heretofore stood all losses. In the future the State Fair and Sedalia would finance itself or would close its gates. The Standard believes the State Fair would be self sustaining if the public was not held up by Sedalia when they go there.

## DEATH CLAIMS HATTIE R. ALLEN

Hattie R. Allen, 81 years old, widow of the late Benjamin F. Allen, widely known farmer of near Benton, died at her home at 451 N. Frederick street a 12:20 p. m. today, succumbing to a complication of diseases.

She recently suffered a severe attack of pneumonia, which left her in a weakened condition. Her heart was affected by the disease and this, combined with her age, caused her demise.

Mrs. Allen is one of the last descendants of an old pioneer family that came to Southeast Missouri when this section was only sparsely settled. Her grandfather, Uriah Brock, is one of the few revolutionary soldiers buried in a cemetery here.

She was born September 19, 1841, near Benton. In 1919 she moved to Cape Girardeau, after the death of her husband. She was quite active in spite of her advanced age, and was a member of the Eastern Star lodge, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and Christ Episcopal church.

She is survived by three sons and one-half sister. The sons are: Clyde of Cape Girardeau; Dr. W. H., of Blodgett, and R. G. of Benton. The half-sister is Mrs. Mary Waters of Blytheville, Ark.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Christ Episcopal church. Rev. J. H. Taylor will have charge of the services. Interment will be in the mausoleum in Lorimer cemetery.—Cape Missourian

### WOULD PREVENT PARTY VOTING FOR OPPONENTS

Jefferson City, Mo., January 10.—Representative W. W. Botts of Audrain County, who fought the nomination of Senator James A. Reed, presented a bill today which would make it difficult for Republicans or Democrats to participate in the primary of the opposition party.

Supporters of Breckinridge Long, Reed's opponent in the primary, charged that Republicans entered the Democratic primary in August by the thousands and nominated Reed over the opposition of a majority of the Democratic party. Botts said his bill is to prevent such occurrences in the future. He proposes to do it in this manner:

1. To prohibit a voter from voting in a party primary who did not vote for the candidate of that party at the previous election.

2. To require challenged voters who are members of other political parties to make a written affidavit that they intend to support all the nominees, this affidavit to be made a public record for the inspection of everyone.

Botts also had a bill to provide for the nomination of state officials by convention and to nominate only local officers by primary.

Mrs. Lon L. Sheible, mother of Fred J. Sheible, former pitcher of Sikeston ball club, and sister of Mrs. J. H. Held of this city, died at her home in Hillsboro, Mo., January 9, at the age of 68 years.

More than 2 million dollars worth of butter in one order by a New York firm of chain stores is being shipped to this country from New Zealand. Storage stocks of butter in this country are said to be more than 15 million pounds below last year at this time.

Theodore Hopper living north of Sikeston believes the salvation of the farmer is in raising more hogs and corn and not too much cotton. Listen to this corn story. From 25 acres planted to cob pipe corn he got 1208 bushels of shelled corn that he sold at 66c per bushel, or \$797.28. He saved 254 sacks of cobs for which he received \$364.49, a total of \$1,161.77 from the 25 acres. Besides this he had the pasture left for his hogs and they grew fat from the shattered corn that they picked. His gross average per acre was \$46.47.

It seems that car thieves are now making a specialty of Ford coupes. The officers say that it is an easy matter to steal and disguise these cars, and if the owner has no special mark thereon, his car is gone for good. It seems that the Ford company put out a fully equipped engine which they sell for \$62. The engine in the stolen car can be taken out and replaced with a stolen one. The motor out of the stolen car is then stripped and the parts sold to dealers or repair men and they realize almost the price of the new motor out of the parts and they throw away the base of the engine on which the markings are. This makes it almost a matter of impossibility to identify the car. This is done at a loss of about \$11. The thieves now steal Ford coupes and change the engine and go out and get nearly the retail price for it.

## MAE MURRAY WINS IN "FASCINATION"

All the romance and flavor of old Spain have been kept intact in Mae Murray's latest photoplay "Fascination", presented by Robert Z. Leonard and will be shown for the first time at the Malone Theatre. It is the most lavish and elaborate of this famous Metro star's pictures, and presents a whirlwind succession of thrilling and exciting experiences. The direction by Robert Z. Leonard is flawless, and the play is undoubtedly one of the most noteworthy of the year.

In "Fascination" Miss Murray plays the part of Dolores de Lisa, born of a Spanish father and an American mother. Resenting the close supervision of the aunt with whom she lives, Dolores slips out to join the throng going to the bull fight.

It is here that she becomes fascinated by the torador, Carrita. She meets him and falls under the influence of his dark eyes. That night, at a ball, Dolores dances for the guests, giving vent to the emotions which the bull fight had created in her. None of the guests recognize her as the daughter of Eduardo de Lisa, the daughter of a wealthy Spaniard who has on that very day returned from America, bringing with him Dolores' brother and a friend from college.

It is the search for the girl that brings in its train a series of swift-moving and highly dramatic incidents. Elaborate costumes and gorgeous settings make brilliant the entire production. All the principal scenes are laid in Spain. Miss Murray's picture reproduces admirably the spirit of the land of the torador.

A notable cast has been assembled in support of Miss Murray, the players including Vincent Coleman, as the American sweetheart of Dolores; Creighton Hale as Eduardo, her brother; Helen Ware as Parola, a jaded singer in a Spanish cabaret; Courtenay Foote as the suave Count de Morera; Charles Lane as Eduardo de Lisa, the father of Dolores; Emily Fitzroy as her watchful aunt; and Robert W. Frazer as Carrita, the torador, who holds Dolores enthralled.

"Fascination" was written by Edmund Goulding, and was directed by Robert Z. Leonard. It was photographed by Oliver T. Marsh. It is a Tiffany production, distributed by Metro.

### TWO DRASTIC DRY BILLS INTRODUCED BY SHUPP

Jefferson City, Mo., January 10.—State Senator McCawley of Carthage introduced for Rev. W. C. Shupp, superintendent of the Missouri Antislavery League, two drastic bills today. One makes it a felony punishable by imprisonment in the Penitentiary for two years to transport intoxicants in an automobile or other vehicle. The other provides a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a minimum of one year in jail for occupants of any automobiles or vehicles carrying liquor to be found with firearms or other deadly weapon in the conveyance.

Hardly a family in Sikeston and vicinity but what has had one or more members down in bed with colds, flu or some other ill during the past ten days. A few cases of scarlet fever have been reported. It would be well for children to stay close to home until every case is dismissed.

Roert L. Ward, prominent Democratic politician and attorney, who, from his gift of a golden voice, has been termed the "Brown Thrush of the Ozarks", was before the Supreme Court yesterday representing a client in an important suit. Mr. Ward is a former member of the House of Representatives. His home is at Caruthersville.—Missouri State Journal.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Telephone 124.

FOR SALE—14 hives of bees in good condition. See or phone O. R. Fahrerkopf, 464, 2tp.

LOST or STOLEN—Brown Ranger bicycle. Taken from High School Monday, January 15. Reward for return.—John Putnam, 500 Prosperity St.

HOTEL FOR SALE—Reasonable, 24 rooms. Only first class hotel in town of 4000. Reason for selling, sickness.—Mrs. J. R. Ragsdale, Chaffee, Mo. 3t

666 quickly relieves Colds, Catarrh, Biliousness and Headaches. A Fine Tonic.

**Grove's  
Tasteless  
Chill Tonic**  
Invigorates, Purifies and  
Enriches the Blood.

## LARGE POPULATION JUMP IN NEW MADRID

New Madrid, Mo.—That Como Township's population in New Madrid county will be increased by one thousand during the year 1923, is certain. Scores of families from Arkansas move in every week. They come in wagons, trucks cars and by train. Never probably since the opening of the Indian Territory to settlers has there been such an influx of settlers to any given locality as are coming to Southeast Missouri now.

Little Paul Engould of Conran was bitten by a cat a few weeks ago. His parents thought little of the occurrence, not apprehending that it might result seriously. The boy became ill about two weeks ago of rabies and died Thursday, January 4th, the attending physician being unable to save him after the disease had developed.—Lilbourn Herald.

Silage odors are absorbed largely through the body of the cow rather than from the air, according to tests made by the United States Department of Agriculture. However, these odors may be practically or entirely removed by the aeration of the milk while it is still warm. Rather heavy feeds of silage may be given to cows

hour after milking without any undesirable flavors or odors passing into the milk. When green alfalfa was fed in relatively large quantities one hour before milking marked flavors and odors were noticed in the milk, but when as much as 30 pounds per cow was fed after milking there was no effect on the milk from the next milking.

### Notice to Contractors

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Jefferson City, Mo., and endorsed "Proposal for constructing (or improving) State Road, Route 55 Section 4", will be received by the State Highway Commission until 11:00 o'clock a. m. on the 2nd day of February, 1923, at the office of the Secretary of the Commission in the Capitol at Jefferson City, and at that time will be publicly opened and read in the Hall of the House of Representatives of the Capitol at Jefferson City, Mo.

The proposed work includes: Grading, constructing culverts and

a gravel pavement 16' wide together with any incidental work on the State Road from Diehlstadt, northwardly the total length of the improvement being approximately 1,000 miles. Multiple or Combination bid will be considered as follows: Combined bids will be received on Route 55, Sections 4 and 6, of Scott County.

Plans and specifications are on file and may be inspected in the office of the State Highway Commission of Missouri, Jefferson City, Mo., or at the office of the Division Engineer of the State Highway Commission in whose division the proposed work is located.

A set of plans and specifications may be obtained from the undersigned upon deposit of ten dollars (\$10.00), which amount will be refunded if both plans and specifications are returned in good condition within four days after the date of receipt of same.

Proposals shall be submitted upon blank forms provided for the purpose by the undersigned, and shall be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the "Treasurer of the State of Missouri, to the credit of the State Highway Fund", for five (5) per cent of the amount of the bid. A proposal bond cannot be accepted in lieu of a certified check, and a bid when accompanied by a proposal bond will be automatically rejected.

Payments will be made on monthly estimates but should not be expected prior to the last of the month for the estimate of the preceding month.

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The proposed work includes: Grading, constructing culverts, a bridge and a gravel pavement 16' wide together with any incidental work on the State Road from Diehlstadt, northwardly, the total length of the improvement being approximately 4,500 miles.

Multiple or Combination bid will be considered as follows: Combined bids will be received on Route 55, Sections 4 and 6, of Scott County.

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## Reap the Reward of Perfect Health

Kennett, Mo.—"I think Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a blessing to weak women. It did wonders for me when nothing else gave me any relief. I had feminine weakness for about fifteen years and suffered all the pains and aches that women have when the organs are weak. I would have backaches, pains in my side and bearing pains, and my kidneys became congested and did not function properly. I got so weak and nervous I could not do my work, it just seemed like I would never be well again. I had tried many medicines without results; at last I decided to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and by the time I had taken two bottles I was a well woman, and have kept well and strong since."—Mrs. Anna Jarrett, Box 331.

You'll be on the road to health if you purchase this "Prescription" of Dr. Pierce's at your nearest drug store, in tablets or liquid.

# MALONE THEATRE

## MONDAY AND TUESDAY, JANUARY 22 AND 23, 1923

ROBERT Z. LEONARD  
*presents*

# MAE MURRAY

in

# FASCINATION

A brilliant drama of  
a girl who danced  
with danger

By  
Edmund Goulding

A  
TIFFANY  
PRODUCTION

—ALSO—

# SINNETT

"The Master of Modern Miracles"

AND HIS PRODUCTION OF  
ORIENTAL SPLENDOR

## "HINDUSTAN"

ADMISSION 20c AND 40c



## WHAT CLASS SHALL RUN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

As has been stated before, in some sections of Southeast Missouri the black man and his family are not wanted and we are told not one resides in Stoddard County on farms. In some parts of the Sikeston District can be found neighborhoods where they are not wanted on the farm. The Standard can truthfully say that at no time in the past ten years has this section so needed peace and harmony, close application to business and strict economy as now. Hardly a landowner but what has borrowed to the limit to carry on, and no tenant farmer but what is groaning under the burden that he is carrying. Three or four years ago tenant after tenant in this community were classed as being financially well-to-do, but now many of them are working as day laborers without financial backing to start again, are old and broken in spirit and have given up hopes for the future. It is absolutely necessary to have help on the farm. It is likewise necessary to have a variety of crops growing if the farmer ever expects to get out of debt. Noting the success with cotton just south of us our farmers decided to put out a large acreage this spring and sought negro families in the South who were cotton raisers to take charge of this branch of the farming. The past few weeks has brought hundreds of these families into this section and we will state that they are big families, well dressed and every one of them self-sustaining and with bank accounts. It is to these people that Southeast Missouri and the Sikeston District are looking to work us out of the financial hole. The white tenants should not take offense at landlords for trying to save their lands with this cotton help for the cotton help will likewise be the salvation of the white tenants who can get ready help from them when in need of it. It is not a social move by any means, but a move for the good of landlord, tenant, laborer and merchant. The threat to intimidate these black families will be frowned on by the better element in town and country alike, because we need the money they brought here with them and need their help in the raising of cotton and the gathering of crops. The Standard feels certain that a careful study of the situation will show the need of these people and there will be nothing to fear.

W. E. Whitecotton, member of the Legislature from Monroe County and a Democrat, has furnished the Republicans a fine piece of political ammunition by his fight on school teachers and county school superintendents. If the Democrats of the State back Whitecotton's silly utterances they certainly cannot hope to carry the State at the next election.

Brother Bradley came in Tuesday from a trip through the counties above here in the interest of the Methodist Church of which he is presiding elder. The many places he visited in the short time and the number of meetings he held proves that the seed sown is the greatest pay that a presiding elder gets. Satisfaction of trying to do is sometimes about all a preacher or an editor gets.

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday afternoon. In the absence of the president, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Mrs. Harry Blanton, as first vice-president, presided. After the regular order of business the program "Yellowstone Park". Miss Mable Barnett, who toured through the park this last summer, gave with pictures and a description, a most pleasing and interesting program, assisted by Miss Audrey Chaney. The next regular meeting will be January 30th at 2:30 in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

The organ recital at the Methodist Church the evening of the 11th was one of the most enjoyable recitals that has ever been given in Sikeston. About 6000 were present and the silver offering at the door was almost enough to cover the cost. The next number given at the Church will be Glenn Lee, vocal tenor, who will appear Tuesday evening, February 20. This will be the second of a program consisting of five that will be given at the church and each number is calculated to be elevating and each should be well attended. All are free but a silver offering at the door will be acceptable which will go towards paying actual expenses.

# RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

**We have entered a contract to sell our entire stock of merchandise and fixtures to become effective**

## FEBRUARY 10, 1923

**In appreciation of the generous and faithful patronage we have enjoyed from our many friends in Southeast Missouri, we now offer you the opportunity to purchase from any department of this store, any and all articles in our well selected and nationally known lines for**

## LESS THAN OUR COST PRICE

**You will please understand that this offer is for CASH ONLY**

### Men's Department

**With prices advancing in all lines of wearing apparel you will surely be justified in laying in a supply for future needs**

**Men's Suits \$12.75 up**

**Men's Overcoats \$16.75 up**

**Boys Suits 2 pr pants \$5 up**

**Boys Overcoats \$4.75 up**

**Make your selections early**

### Women's Department

**Lack of space prevents our listing each item, we will just say you can buy anything in stock at less than the wholesale cost**

**Dresses \$5.00 up**

**Suits \$12.75 up**

**Coats \$10.00 up**

**Children's Coats \$4.50 up**

**Make your selections early**

**The good standard lines of merchandise featured by this store for years need no introduction to the people of Southeast Missouri**

***Parties having accounts with us are respectfully requested to settle promptly***

# Stubbs Clothing Co.

**Milem Building**

**Sikeston, Missouri**

## SEVERAL DEATHS DURING THE WEEK

Since our last issue Father Time with his Scythe of Death has been busy in the community and has been no respecter of person. The babe, the child, the matron and the mother fare alike. To write of death is an unpleasant task to the editor who knows that just over the Hill is the Valley of Death that one cannot escape for long when they have reached the allotted time of three score.

William Robert Wilkerson, the 10-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wilkerson, died at the home of its parents Thursday night, January 11, at 11:30 of bronchial pneumonia and was buried in the Sikeston Cemetery.

Joe Fahrenkopf, aged 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Fahrenkopf living just east of Sikeston, died Thursday, January 11, of scarlet fever and was buried in the Sikeston cemetery.

Mrs. Minnie D. Bryeans, aged 30 years died at her home in Oran, Friday, January 12, and was laid to rest in the Sikeston Cemetery. She was the daughter of Mrs. Adah Vaughn and sister of Mrs. Joe Bowman of this city, and had many friends and acquaintances here who were grieved at her passing. She leaves a husband and one child to mourn her loss.

The death of Mrs. Ed Wilson which occurred Monday was one of the saddest that has ever occurred in the community. She gave birth to her tenth child, a boy, Sunday, January 7, and while she had a severe cold it was thought not to be serious but soon developed into double pneumonia from which she died. The funeral service was held at the family residence Tuesday morning at 10:00 and at 1:00 the body was taken to Morley where it was buried in the family plot in the cemetery at that place. She was formerly Effie May Holder and born and raised in the vicinity of Morley. She was married to Ed Wilson 24 years ago and to the union came 10 children, 7 of whom survive, the babe but a week old. Mrs. Wilson was a good wife, a good mother, a good neighbor, and her passing is greatly regretted by a host of friends and acquaintances.

It is to be hoped that Representative Ogilvie and Senator Anderson of Scott County will have nothing to do with the bill introduced in the House at Jefferson City by Representative Whitecotton of Monroe County, to cut the salaries of County Superintendent of Schools and school teachers. The County Superintendent of Schools, if he is qualified at all, is not getting enough money as it is, and the teachers who are employed, at most, only 9 months in the year have hardly enough to buy a suit of clothes or a new dress after attending summer school. Let's boost for higher salaries, better qualifications and less demagogery.

For many months the Missouri and North Arkansas Railroad running from Joplin, Mo., to Batesville, Ark., has had a hard time to run trains and protect their line through the thirteen counties which it traverses. This railroad is the only outlet for this entire section. Railroad Labor Unions have had trouble with the railway management and have done everything in their power to handicap the operation of the road. Bridges have been burned, culverts blown up, and the work has been placed at the doors of the Union whether they or guilty or not. A few nights ago five bridges were burned and the railroad management notified the public they would suspend operation of the line through Arkansas unless proper protection of their property was given by officers and citizens of that State. Headquarters of the Union was at Harrison, Ark. and to that place citizens of that section of the State to the number several hundred gathered and ordered all union officials to leave Harrison, and they left. An attempt to arrest one union man, E. C. Cregor who fired into the crowd and wounded a man, caused him to be hanged. Two more citizens who were sympathizers of the union men were severely whipped, and the town marshal forced to resign. All this was brought about by a handful of union men who attempted to force their claims on the railroad management of a bankrupt road that would have deprived these thirteen counties of any outlet of their products. This is a forerunner of what the public in general think of bull dozing tactics employed by some unions of the country.



## SIKESTON STANDARD

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce  
Ralph McCullough of Morley for  
Superintendent of Schools of Scott  
County, subject to the will of the vot-  
ers at the April, 1923, election.We are authorized to announce Jno.  
H. Goodin of Benton for Superintend-  
ent of Schools of Scott County, sub-  
ject to the will of the voters at the  
April, 1923, election.The way of the transgressor is  
hard and to be caught is worse. Mar-  
ried men to be happy should stay at  
home and not pose as single men.  
Frequently it is embarrassing to have  
the girls visit your home town and  
learn the truth.One doesn't have to go to Turkey  
to keep a harem. Sikeston has some  
lesser lights who, unless they are  
woefully lied on, have small harems.  
Some of these days there is going to  
rift in some families unless the har-  
em business is cut out or moved to  
some other town.We look for better things when con-  
struction work on our state highways  
begins. A lot of idle people will get  
employment at good wages and busi-  
ness will be stimulated thereby. It  
will also be the Golden Age for local  
knockers and kickers. All the con-  
tractors will be crooks, all the la-  
borers will be loafers, all the material  
will be below standard. Nothing will  
go to suit them and the result will  
be just the loveliest time they ever  
had.Brookhart of Iowa offended Big  
Business mightily last Friday by  
reading into the Senate record a long  
list of American corporations whose  
dividends last year ranged all the  
way from 200 to 2300 per cent. Al-  
together, the bunch divided more than  
two billions of dollars in profits  
among their stockholders while Agri-  
culture, out of whose pockets much  
of the money came, was struggling to  
keep out of the poorhouse.—Paris Ap-  
peal.One of the blackest fellows you ever  
saw came into The Standard office  
Saturday to get a copy of the paper  
and said he was told there was some-  
thing in it that was favorable to a  
black man being given a show to  
make a living in this section. He  
was from Arkansas, down below Wil-  
son, and said conditions were so he  
could not make a living there and  
heped the white folks up here would  
give him a chance to show them that  
he was a good farmer and a good  
citizen.Did you ever notice that most all  
the kicks on our public school come  
either from men and women who have  
educated their children in that school  
and no other, or from men and women  
who have no children of their own?  
Just why any person desire to kill  
the public school—the only real thing  
that many country towns have—is be-  
yond us. Instead of knocking the  
public school why not boost it? Elec-  
tion time will soon be here. Resolve  
right now that you will boost the  
school and do what you can to make it  
better the coming year.Every big country town like Sikes-  
ton has a few men who are, at times,  
a little "wild" when away from home.  
Two of our respected farmer-town  
men were in St. Louis recently, ac-  
companied by their wives this time.  
At a famous restaurant where they  
aimed to accommodate they went for  
9-o'clock dinner. After the cheese  
was served the waiter said to them:  
"A couple o' nice demi-tasses, gents?"  
The two men looked horror stricken,  
and the older of the two said stern-  
ly: "No, sir; certainly not. We're  
expecting our wives at any moment,  
and what would they say if they saw  
us sitting here with a couple of demi-  
tasses? By gosh, young fellow, I  
believe this is a disorderly house, and  
for two pins I'd have you pinched".  
This was too good for the younger  
man to keep, but he begged us to give  
no names.

## The Jailbird Industry

Prohibition must be credited with a  
measure of success. Within the 18  
months from July, 1921, to December,  
1922, there were 58,862 arrests for  
the "crimes" created by the prohibi-  
tion laws. There were 27,801 con-  
victions, with jail sentences aggregat-  
ing 2044 years, 11 months and 24  
days, and fines totaling \$5,220,558.02.  
There were pending on the dockets  
of the Federal courts 21,850 cases not  
disposed of. New cases were being  
docketed at a rate exceeding 3000 a  
month.This is a wonderful record in the  
making of jailbirds for crimes un-  
known to the criminal calendar be-  
fore prohibition, but the field of pos-  
sible activity has been only scratched.  
A few illicit distillers, bootleggers  
and pocket flasks have been haled  
into court. The home brewers have  
hardly been touched. If prohibition  
is to be really enforced all of these  
must be reached by hook or crook—  
by blanket warrants or unwarranted  
raids, searches, seizures and arrests.The building of jails must keep pace  
with the manufacture of jailbirds. We  
shall soon have a "criminal" popula-  
tion, created by crime-making laws,  
which will be the boast and pride of  
the most exacting of the fanatics who  
believe that the redemption of man  
depends upon the police power and the  
jail.—Post-Dispatch.

## When I Was A Boy

By B. F. Blanton

When I was a boy there was more  
feeling in the preachers than in the  
present day minister product of  
theological colleges, where the head  
and not the heart is converted. How  
well do I remember how those old  
preachers would plead with sinners  
to flee from the wrath to come and  
with tears running down their cheeks  
beg them to accept Christ as their  
Saviour and be saved. It is very dif-  
ferent now, where everything is to  
start off just so and where too often,  
the subject is just as apt to be, "Why  
do men love to eat", as anything  
else. When did you hear a sermon  
that warmed your heart as they did  
under the old time preachers? Of  
course, our modern preachers are  
good fellows and we all love them  
but, one thing is certain, they do not  
warm your heart like the old hell-  
fire preacher. Nowadays you would  
think hell was abolished but it isn't.When I was a boy people were  
much better in observing Sunday  
than are the people of today. Away  
back there all work ceased on Sun-  
day, both in the towns and in the  
country. Some people even cooked  
enough on Saturday to last over Sun-  
day, and such a thing as hunting or  
fishing on Sunday was never even  
thought of. Of course, if the ox got  
in the ditch they got him out—but  
they did not push him in. How is it  
now? Hunting and fishing is in-  
dulged in by even church members  
and many stores sell on Sunday if  
they have a chance, while garages  
run all day just as they do any other  
day in the week. More church mem-  
bers joyride on Sunday than attend  
preaching. Sunday observance is  
about as well respected in the towns  
as in the country we are sorry to say.When I was a boy there were no  
coffins kept in stock at any of the  
country towns in Central Missouri.  
When a person died a measure was  
taken of the body and given to a car-  
penter either in town or country and  
a real first-class coffin was soon  
made. They were always made of  
clear walnut lumber and polished  
until you could see yourself as in a  
looking glass. Looking back at those  
nice shiny coffins makes me feel like  
it was almost a pleasure to be put in  
one of them. It cost \$15 or \$20 for a  
coffin then and even poor folks could  
afford to die, but none but the well-  
to-do can afford to die now and may-  
be that is the reason so many of us  
old fellows are still hanging on. But  
the rope will soon break, the end  
come, then we'll not kick about the  
bill.The Roman catacombs are 530 miles  
in extent, and it is estimated that  
something like 15,000,000 dead are  
interred there.Providence permitting, the oppor-  
tunity for Mississippi Countians to  
pull out of the hole in 1923 seems  
good. That happy situation cannot be  
realized to the fullest extent, how-  
ever, without generous co-operation up-  
on the part of all interests. If agi-  
tators are permitted to array faction  
against faction, creed against creed,  
race against race, and class against  
class the goal will not be reached.  
Folks of many different political and  
religious beliefs and nationalities  
have gotten along nicely here for  
many years. Neither outlawry nor  
prejudice should be allowed to dis-  
turb these relations. There are laws  
to regulate society if it needs regu-  
lating and they are the only safe lines  
to follow.—F. D. Lair

## Moving Towards The League

Former Associate Justice Clarke of  
the Supreme Court made a point in  
his speech at the first meeting in New  
York of the Nonpartisan Association  
for the League of Nations about  
which there can be no division of  
opinion, namely, that the question of  
our entering the League "never had  
a fair hearing in the United States".  
It was drawn into the melee of par-  
tisan politics and at a time when the  
public mind was incapacitated for  
sound, considerate functioning. The  
7,000,000 majority was not a verdict  
against our entering the League. The  
result of the 1920 election would have  
been pretty much the same if the  
covenant had never been written.Mr. Clarke also referred to an in-  
teresting change that was prospec-  
tively made in the covenant last Sep-  
tember, when the Assembly directed  
the Council to prepare "a regional  
treaty of mutual guaranty". This  
provision, if and when adopted, will  
in effect repeal Article X by limiting to  
neighboring nations the obligation of  
furnishing armed assistance to a  
nation whose territorial integrity has  
been attacked or menaced. The fa-  
miliar bogey of American boys dying  
in the distant trenches of other war-  
ring nations can no longer be evoked  
by our demagogues when this version  
of the Monroe Doctrine has been in-  
corporated in the covenant.Meanwhile, of course, the most con-  
vincing advocate for American partici-  
pation in the effort to save Europe  
from destruction is found in the bit-  
ter logic of events. Nobody imagin-  
ed in 1918 that 1923 would see France  
invading Germany, but that is the  
fact. It is a fact of ill omen, too. And  
in 1918 comparatively few Americans  
realized that the American farmer's  
prosperity depended on the European  
market. The American farmer un-  
derstands that clearly enough now,  
but the knowledge has been gained  
at a serious cost.It would be difficult, impossible, per-  
haps, to secure a verdict on this ques-  
tion apart from partisan politics. But  
the American farmer joins the  
American business man in demanding  
our entrance into the League as the  
only solution for this grave economic  
problem the politicians will not be  
laggard in making the same demand.We are moving towards the League,  
steadily and inevitably under the  
persuasion of self-preservation.—  
Post-Dispatch.

## Ford Comes to the River

St. Paul is singularly in being se-  
lected by Henry Ford for the site of  
a \$10,000,000 manufacturing plant  
which is ultimately to employ between  
14,000 and 15,000 men. But the Min-  
nesota city is not to be the only gain-  
er from the new industrial project.  
The fact that a Ford institution is  
to be located on the Mississippi is  
full of significance to all river cities.Mr. Ford is a dauntless believer in  
the river. His vision goes beyond  
saving a little money on freight or  
any particular financial profit. He has  
a vision of the Father of Waters fully  
harnessed to generate all the power  
of which it is capable, fully de-  
veloped against overflow, fully im-  
proved to provide a permanent chan-  
nel for commerce and fully equipped to  
carry all the freight in the valley  
that needs a north-and-south lift.Mr. Ford can be depended upon to  
act on that vision. From the incip-  
iency of the St. Paul project he has  
planned putting on the upper river a  
barge line not only for his own use  
but for the service of the public. He  
will ship his products down the river  
by a barge and ship whatever coal  
he may need over the same water  
highway, presumably from his own  
mines in Kentucky. If he establish-  
es the intended fertilizer plant at  
Muscle Shoals the logical outlet of  
its product will be down the Tennes-  
see and up and down the Mississippi  
to the great agricultural areas of the  
valley.The genius of the "flivver" has piled  
up wealth to the point where per-  
sonal gain can no longer be the only  
motive. His interest now apparently  
lies in developing the resources of  
the nation in connection with his own  
interests. There is ample opportu-  
nity for his genius and resources in  
the development of the waterways.—  
Post-Dispatch.Before he invented the steamboat,  
Robert Fulton experimented with a  
submarine at the bottom of Brest Har-  
bor in France, using funds obtained  
by portrait paintings in Paris.William Jennings Bryan calls on  
Christians everywhere to agitate  
against war. When a very practical  
method for abolishing war was  
brought forward three years ago,  
however, William Jennings did what  
he could to kill it. It was not that  
he loved the old order of things but  
rather that he hated Woodrow Wil-  
son so cordially that he just couldn't  
stand for anything, even peace on  
earth, that bore the Wilson stamp.—  
Paris Appeal.

## Mob and Law and Race Prejudice

Leading newspapers throughout the  
South have made the defeat of the  
Dyer Anti-Lynching bill the occasion  
for a general warning that the States  
must take more effective measures to  
put an end to mob violence. If they  
continue to shirk their duty in deal-  
ing sternly with the crime of lynch-  
ing, then inevitably the higher pow-  
ers of the Federal Government will be  
invoked in obedience to public opin-  
ion. It is a critical situation that the  
South faces, and its thoughtful citi-  
zens more and more realize the need  
of vigorous action in conquering the  
mob spirit that has subjected South-  
ern States to so much reproach. Es-  
pecial force is given to those appeals  
on the part of the Southern press  
by very recent events. There have  
been at least three lynchings of neg-  
roes since the first of the year. \* Those  
are significant words that the Atlanta  
Constitution prints in connection with  
the brutal murder only last week of  
an inoffensive old negro of 70 by  
drunken white men: "If an end is  
not put to this sort of thing, and if  
a small element of brazen, barbaric  
brutes can disgrace the State by their  
cold-blooded murders and escape pun-  
ishment, the State will be fortunate  
if its loss is confined to the blacks  
who are leaving it, for the menace de-  
veloping from these unwhipped crim-  
inals has become such as to threaten  
whites as well as blacks". The an-  
swer is that an end must be put to  
mob murder and lawlessness not for  
reason of color but for obvious rea-  
sons of law and justice, which know  
no discrimination.—New York World.The famous island monastery of  
Lake Sevan, near Frivan, Armenia,  
which for 10 centuries has never per-  
mitted a woman to enter its gates,  
has just extended the freedom of its  
grounds and buildings to three Amer-  
ican women—Miss Grace Blackwell,  
Miss Jean Vancover and Miss Mar-  
garet Rust. These women are nur-  
ses connected with the Near East Re-  
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## The Tariff

The country will be gratified to  
learn that the Cabinet looked upon  
the tariff and found it good. It was  
announced after the meeting that the  
Fordney-McCumber act was working  
in a manner wholly different from  
what its critics had predicted and  
that our import trade is actually in-  
creasing. Just where the Cabinet got  
this information about imports it  
would be difficult to say. Only a  
few days ago the Department of  
Commerce announced that the new  
classifications and rate schedules had  
made it impossible to tabulate im-  
port data within the usual time and  
that no information concerning im-  
ports since the old tariff expired  
would be available until early in 1923.  
Although statistics of exports are  
available for both October and No-  
vember, no information concerning  
imports since September 21, when the  
new law became effective, has been  
made public. Even if such data for  
the autumn months were available, it  
would not furnish sufficient evidence  
for any general conclusion as to the  
actual working of the new tariff act.  
It is devoutly to be wished that the  
cheerful statement given out from  
the White House will be substantiat-  
ed by later developments, but in that  
event the Fordney-McCumber tariff  
must be a disappointment to its  
farmers. A protective tariff is a pa-  
tent failure if it does not cut down  
imports; that is what protective tar-  
iffs are for. Meanwhile, the admini-  
stration might borrow a leaf from the  
experience of the preceding Republi-can President, whose labored defense  
of an unpopular and repudiated tariff  
measure, which he pronounced the  
best ever enacted, only increased the  
insurgency within his own party.—  
New York Evening Post.The badge of the chimney sweep  
in Bavaria is a high silk hat.The eyes of snails and slugs are  
perched right on the ends of their  
feelers, so that they can look in every  
direction without moving.Portageville starts the new year  
with great activity for its advance-  
ment and material progress. Inter-  
esting as it is, we are to have two  
bond issue elections which call for the  
people's voice and decision upon two  
absolute essentials—yea, necessities—a  
modern adequate school building  
and a city waterworks plant. We  
hope to see the citizenry carry both  
propositions and feel that they have  
well spent their money in nominal  
sums for the bonded indebtedness. By  
voting for the improvements three  
will no doubt accrue to them a bigger

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## Poland China Dispersion Sale

Tuesday, February 27, 1923

At McCord Bros. Sales Barn  
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public auction for cash at above date and place.The offering consists of 15 tried sows, 20 spring gilts, 25  
summer and fall gilts and 3 boars.These sows are from the best blood lines obtainable in  
the country while the gilts are the offsprings of the sows  
and sired by Col. Pickett, Julius Caesar and The Son of  
Pan. The boars to be sold are Julius Caesar, The Son  
of Pan and a young boar out of a Yankee sow and by The  
Son of Pan.This sale is made necessary because Milton and Ben  
Blanton are still in school and a shortage of feed and  
finances call for it. The boys will continue with their  
farm and retain their plant with six sows and gilts and  
one boar and hope to come again at some future date.  
This is going to be a real offering and a description of  
animals will be printed later.

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## STUBBS CLOTHING CO. CHANGES OWNERS

The Stubbs Clothing Co., of Sikeston, one of the best known mercantile establishments in Southeast Missouri, has been sold to Messrs. Lehman & Foster, who will take charge of the stock and good will after the 10th of February.

The gentlemen comprising the new firm come well recommended as gentlemen and business men and will step into one of the best advertised establishments in this section. Mr. Lehman is from Pocahontas, Ark., where he has been engaged in the mercantile business for several years. While Mr. Foster has lately been manager of one of Chasoff's stores in Warrensburg, Mo.

The late J. H. Stubbs, the founder of the Stubbs Clothing Co., was one of the best merchants and business men ever in this section and built up a mercantile establishment second to none. He believed in printer's ink and ending back of every article sold. On his death the store was kept in the family and was for a while under the management of Harry Hope, then of S. M. Dailey, but for the past year or more H. Clay Stubbs has had the management of the business and he successfully carried it through the greatest business depression known in the history of this city. He has been ably assisted by Miss Amy Allen, Mr. Herman Henry and Mrs. H. C. Stubbs, who have done their part to make the Stubbs Clothing Co. popular.

Clay Stubbs will retire from this store with the good will of every competitor because he has always been square in his dealings and his customers will miss him greatly.

The Standard wishes every member of the retiring firm success in their future undertakings and will be at the service of the new firm in getting acquainted and putting their goods before the public.

Mrs. Joe Ferg Hunter and sister, Miss Leona Gallivan of New Madrid were shopping in Sikeston Wednesday.

O. O. Cowden, 985 Holland Avenue, Springfield, Mo., was in Sikeston Monday in the interests of a poultry appliance that automatically dips chickens to free them from vermin. If any of our poultry raisers are interested they can address above for particulars.

The latter part of the week a dog bit one of Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer's children, a child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Paul and another child at Moore Avenue and Center streets. It would be well if the proper authorities would kill the great number of stray dogs that are roaming the town.

Jack Shubert and Luke Hodges left Sikeston Wednesday morning for Los Angeles, Cal. They are making the trip in Mr. Hodges car. Shubert will be associated with F. O. Baldwin in plumbing and heating contracting, while Hodges will look over the field with a view of locating if building operations look good. Mrs. Shubert and children will follow later.

Things happened fast for Clifford Cooper at Caruthersville last week according to the Democrat Argus. Cooper was arrested for having whiskey, a mask, screw driver, and other mysterious odds and ends in his pockets. The next morning he was found guilty and sentenced to six months in jail and a \$500 fine. That night he "scaled" the drain pipe in the jail and escaped.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Stubbs had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Misses Vera Walpole, Pauline Graham and Mrs. Earl Pate. Miss Burnice Tanner came just in time for dinner.

Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. A. A. Mayfield, Mrs. Wm. Graham, Mrs. Leroy Moore, Miss Marjorie Smith and Miss Burnice Tanner contributed for the dinner for a hungry family last Sunday. Mrs. Frank Van Horne and Mrs. Joe Matthews were not at home when the call was made on them.

The hearts of most people go out to those who are really hungry. Sunday morning a call was sent out to a few families asking them to share their dinner with a family in the south part of town who were hungry and had no food. Those solicited responded and a car was sent out to make the collection. At one place half of the Sunday roast with plenty of potatoes was given; at another, chicken and dressing, and so on until a dinner fit for a king was gathered up. Some way or other one of the donors got to thinking about this needy family and concluded to investigate. At the home of one of those interested, this lady found a gay assembly of young folks and she concluded to take off her wraps and make herself at home. It was so close to dinner time that the hostess and guests told that they thought this would be a good joke to get a good dinner contributed in this manner.

# Buckner-Ragsdale Co.'s SEMI-ANNUAL SHOE SALE

## BEGINNING SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1923

The quality of merchandise featured in our shoe department is known in every home in Southeast Missouri. Every shoe offered in this sale is from our regular stock.

### WATCH OUR WINDOWS

## Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

LEADING MEN'S STORE OF SIKESTON

## TWO SMALL FIRES CALL OUT COMPANY

Saturday just before noon the fire company was called out by an alarm from the residence of J. B. Rothrock on South Kingshighway. Fire was noticed by neighbors in the roof near the chimney who notified the family. It was but a few minutes until the engine was on the grounds and another minute or two before the fire was put out. A defective flue was the probable cause. The house is owned by Mrs. Henson.

At 3:30 Sunday morning the fire screen screamed out the alarm for another fire. This time it was from Frisco and the John Andres butcher shop was the place. The fire department was soon on the ground but the fragile building was soon a mass of ruins. The fire broke out in the small room at the rear. There was supposed to be no fire in the building and no reason for the fire unless it was of incendiary origin. The big ice box was badly charred on the outside and will have to be rebuilt, while the inside was not hurt. No insurance was carried by Mr. Andres and the loss is keenly felt. Rebuilding will begin at once and Mr. Andres will continue the butcher shop at the same stand.

B. F. Morrison of Oran is in charge of the Kroger store in Sikeston in place of Albert Shields who resigned.

Major Malone, Lieutenants Arterburn, Smith and Dye attended the Governor's ball at the Executive Mansion in Jefferson City.

Representative Fred L. Ogilvie of Scott County, has been assigned to the following committees by Speaker Hunter: Chairman of Public Health and Scientific Institutions, Banks and Banking.

Sunday night burglars entered the National Guard Armory through the second story back window and stole 20 wool shirts and 5 Smith & Wesson 45 calibre army revolvers. It is believed to be the work by local talent and it is hoped they will soon be caught.

Louise Woods, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Woods of North Ranney street, was bitten last Thursday on the arm and leg by a fox terrier belonging to Bill Bowman. Mr. Woods secured a shot gun and killed the dog. He had the head sent to St. Louis for examination.

The farmers of the Sikeston district are plowing for spring planting and all are in a cheerful and hopeful mood. If we can have another good cotton and sunflower crop they will put our farmers where they can see daylight again. Wheat and corn and corn and wheat year after year has proven to be a losing game and for that reason the corn and wheat acreage is to be divided between cotton and sunflowers. This will give a variety that should give good returns.

Fifteen or twenty fellows crawled through a broken window in the A. J. Matthews mule barn on Front street about a week ago to hold some sort of secret session. Chief of Police Randol heard of it and went down to join the meeting. While he was trying to get through the window those on the inside sought the air and rushed out the front door that they opened from the inside. Uncle Joe feels certain they were in there to talk to the bones but he has no evidence to that effect. He knows who was there, though, and doesn't believe the meeting was called to discuss the political situation.

J. B. Randol, chief of police, recently captured a gallon jug of moonshine whiskey and locked it up in one of the cells in the city jail for safe keeping. A few days ago he locked up a young barber, Chewing by name, but not in the cell with the jug. The next four or five days Chewing appeared to be groggy and claimed he was sick. It dawned on Uncle Joe that the jug was the cause of the grogginess and he proceeded to investigate. Chewing had pulled the sack containing the jug, to the front of the cell and through the bars had tapped the jug. Little of the liquor was left and Uncle Joe poured the balance of it out and Chewing was fully recovered the day after.

Miss Gertrude Leebolt of Harper street, St. Louis, was a visitor to Sikeston last week, stopping with friends. Miss Leebolt is prominent in civic activities, being known as an organizer of great ability. During the war she served as a nurse overseas, being stationed at Brest, later being transferred to close behind the lines at Ypres. At Chateau Thierry, she suffered from a night raid on the hospital, by a German plane. Due to the cool-headedness of the nurses in attendance, there were no other casualties. Miss Leebolt was returned to this country as a casual, but has since regained her health. She is again engaged in work amongst women's organization.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy during the illness and death of our wife and mother.

Ed Wilson and children.

Sikeston Standard \$1.50 per year. Have you seen the \$35 Cream Separator at Farmers Supply Co.? Finest separator made, satisfaction guaranteed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyon Schreff are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their house on Wednesday night of last week.

Mrs. Nall of Sikeston is here this week nursing the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Doss Stiles, who is ill. Mrs. Nall is related to Mrs. Doc Davis of this city.—Caruthersville Democrat.

Miss Susie Hay has purchased of H. S. Hamper a house on North New Madrid street near the Methodist Church, will remodel same and then move into it with her mother. The house on North Ranney will be for rent.

The Reverend G. A. Hoffman of Stoddard County, who was elected chaplain of the House of Representatives was one of the presidential electors who cast his vote for President Wilson in 1912, according to Representative Whitecotton who nominated Mr. Hoffman.

In another part of The Standard will be found the full report of the State Insurance Inspector on Sikeston. We were led to believe that with our new engine and with a paid fireman on the job 24 hours, with our pump house rebuilt and pump overhauled, we would be placed in Class 4 instead of Class 4½ and thereby have our insurance rates reduced. It will be seen from this report that we have no show at all of getting into Class 4. Mayor Felker took the matter up with the State Insurance Department and protested the report. Thursday morning the Insurance Department informed the Mayor that most of the insurance written for Sikeston was taken out when the rates were lower and Sikeston had not been revised by the State Department but a new revision of our rates would be undertaken at once that would increase the rates for the business district all along the line 5 per cent. This is all and is a plenty. Our up-to-date fire fighting equipment is to get us a raise of insurance when we believed we would get a lower rate. It is hard to keep even with some of our State Bureau and Commissions let alone beat them. It may only be a coincidence, but it certainly looks like the Public Service Commission and State Insurance Commission most generally favor the corporations.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and children spent Sunday in Canolou.

Mrs. John Rice of Chaffee spent the week here visiting relatives.

Malcolm Ratcliffe has made himself a present of a new Ford coupe.

A fine lot of honey from Morehouse was peddled out on our streets Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Morrill of Sikeston was the guest of Mrs. Maggie Hunott, Friday.

Elmer Burch shipped a fine car load of cattle and hogs to St. Louis Wednesday.

Goebel Owen went to New Madrid Wednesday as a witness in the Geo. Butler case.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord and Mrs. G. D. Steele were the guests of Mrs. O. K. Mainord, Thursday.

There is a lot of flu or La Grippe around town, but nothing serious as it is all in a light form.

Mrs. Dave Morgan, Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Albert Deane were Sikeston visitors Monday.

Mrs. James Brown of the Crow District spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith.

John Graham has moved his family from his farm to Matthews into Mrs. Elizabeth Gurley's residence.

Silas Hultz has moved his barber shop from the Roberts building over across the railroad into the pool room.

The Royal Neighbors held a meeting in their lodge rooms Wednesday

evening to take in some new members.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll attended the picture show at Sikeston Tuesday night.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Albert Deane were the guests of Mrs. Dickerman in the Crow neighborhood Wednesday.

The ladies of Matthews are contemplating organizing a society for the benefit of the church and creating a better social standing among the people. We hope they will meet with success for we certainly do need something to awaken interest in the church and social affairs.

Miss Vera Walpole is ill at her home with the flu.

In the New Madrid Circuit Court Wednesday the State vs. George Butler and G. F. Alley charged with criminal assault on a girl at Canolou, after an all day trial, were found guilty by a jury and given two years in the penitentiary.

A double game of basketball was played last Thursday night between the Cairo boys and the Bridges girls. Sikeston being victorious both times for the boys 38 to 7 and the girls 25 to 12. Both were excellent practice games as the games that were to be played Friday were expected to be fought to the finish. Excellent team work was shown in both the Sikeston boys' and girls' team, as no one started in either half. Cairo made a tour of Cape Girardeau Wednesday night, Sikeston Thursday night and Poplar Bluff Friday night, losing in all three games.

## SIKESTON COUNTRY CLUB ORGANIZED

A meeting called by L. M. Stallcup for the purpose of talking over the proposition of organizing a Country Club for Sikeston, about thirty men responded and Mr. Stallcup was elected temporary chairman and G. M. Greer was made temporary Secretary.

Several of the parties present expressed their view on the way the Club should be organized and conducted. The first business before the meeting was a motion made by Dr. J. H. Yount that the chairman appoint a nominating committee, the chairman being included as one member of this committee. H. L. Smith and E. C. Matthews were named by the chairman and this committee retired to select the names of a temporary Board of Governors and reported the following names to the meeting: P. M. Gervig, A. Ray Smith, J. S. Kevil, M. Q. Tanner, C. F. McMullin, E. C. Matthews, L. M. Stallcup. H. L. Smith moved that these names be accepted by the meeting and they were duly elected so.

It was then moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a Location Committee and the following names were placed on this committee: M. Q. Tanner, J. L. Matthews, and H. L. Smith, Chairman of this Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the initiation fee be placed at \$100 and the yearly dues be \$50 and that \$25 must be deposited with the application for membership.

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It was also moved and seconded that the Chairman appoint a Membership Committee and the following names were placed on this Committee: Harry Young, E. A. Matthews and T. A. Wilson, as chairman of this Committee. Mr. Wilson made it known that it was impossible for him to serve on this Committee and was excused by the Chairman and Mr. Matthews and Mr. Young were instructed to name the other member and elect their chairman.

The members of the Location Committee and the Membership Committee were instructed to make a report as soon as possible to Mr. Stallcup, chairman of the Board of Governors.

There was no further business before the meeting and it adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

Between 5,000,000 and 7,000,000 people visit the forests each year, according to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. The national forests are natural centers of summer recreation, particularly for the masses of people whose vacation must be inexpensive.

Honoring his mother, Mrs. A. E. Mason, who is in her 86th year, C. F. Mason with Mrs. Mason gathered her sons and daughters and grandchildren about the Christmas table in their home at 721 North Answorth avenue.

Mrs. Mason has four daughters and three sons, all married, with 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, who, with husbands and wives, brought about the Christmas table 42 people who were akin—a rare event in the West.

The recent arrival of Mrs. Lou Greer completed the circle, which for the last 15 years has been centering slowly in Tacoma. Each of its members contributed in some way to the entertainment following the dinner, those present being:

George Mason, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mason, Mrs. Lou Greer, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rohrschreib, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. William Hampe, Mr. and Mrs. A. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Rohrschreib, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Rohrschreib, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mason, Mrs. L. McDonald, Elsie Mason, Charley Mason, Alfred Greer, Howard Mason, Lucille Mason, Lucille McDonald, Rex McDonald, Annalee Griffin, Maxine Rohrschreib, Virginia Rohrschreib, Charles McDonald, Lester McDonald, Virginia McDonald, Larry Rohrschreib, Shirley Rohrschreib, Mr. and Mrs. James Mason, Jr.; others being Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Albice and their daughter, Margaret.—Tacoma, Washington Exchange.



## NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

**Farm Bureau Holds Annual Meeting**  
New Madrid County Farm Bureau held its annual meeting on Friday of last week. The attendance was light due to favorable weather for early farm work.

The officers elected for next year are: J. K. Robbins, President; Geo. M. Meier, Vice-President and A. J. Renner, Secretary.

The main feature of the meeting was an address by C. C. Henry, the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n. Mr. Henry gave a clear and concise explanation of the method of marketing cotton as carried out by other associations.

Those present were very favorably impressed with the results and in favor of the organization of the cotton growers ass'n. for this district.

The report of the County Agent showed that:

Four live stock shipping associations had been organized in the past and had done approximately \$100,000 worth of business in the past year.

800,000 cc serum of hog cholera had been distributed and 7 vaccinating schools held which was attended by approximately 60 farmers.

The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co., has increased over \$200,000 in the past year.

The Farm Loan Ass'n. has loaned \$140,000.

An educational exhibit at the Sikeston District Fair won approximately \$200 in prizes.

22 wheat fields were inspected for purity making pure seed wheat available.

One flock reached the standard for certification. 18 culling demonstrations were held and flocks were culled 20%.

14 state and federal specialists were erected in the county working a total of 48 days.

2 cars of picric acid has been distributed.

2 pig clubs have been organized at New Madrid and Parma.

2 acid phosphate demonstrations was held showing a yield of 10 bushels per acre in corn.

One field of seed sweet potatoes were certified making available 200 bushels of seed.

2 home economics schools have been held teaching the practices of making hats and dress forms.

The report of the Business Agent that a business of approximately \$12,000 had been done for the Farm Bureau office for the past year.

The delegates selected to attend

the M. F. B. F. were J. K. Robbins, G. M. Meier, and A. J. Renner.

### Organization Committee of Cotton Growers' Meeting

The organization committee from eight Southeast Missouri counties met at Sikeston on January 11, 1923 for the purpose of considering advisability of a cotton marketing association for Southeast Missouri. The delegation from New Madrid County were: X. Caverno, G. M. Meier and M. F. Elhers.

All Southeast Missouri counties were represented and in addition two representatives from Pulaski County, Ill., were present.

C. C. Moser, Secretary of the American Cotton Growers' Ass'n, explained the co-operative marketing movement in cotton as well as other commodity organizations. C. G. Henry, President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n., was also present and explained the working of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Ass'n.

All the Southeast Missouri expressed themselves favorably for the organization for such an association. The representatives from Pulaski Co., Ill., stated that several counties in Illinois were interested in the raising of cotton and all probability would desire to affiliate with Southeast Missouri in the cotton marketing movement.

The meeting voted that a permanent organization committee should be elected by the delegates of each county. The following committeemen were elected:

New Madrid—X. Caverno, Canalou; Mississippi County—Hugh McPheeters, Charleston; Scott County—W. H. Tanner, Sikeston; Pemiscot County—C. C. Raine, Hayti; Butler County—J. C. Corrigan, Poplar Bluff; Cape Girardeau County—Julian N. Friant, Cape Girardeau; Dunklin County—A. R. Zimmerman, Clarkton.

Fred Naeter of Cape Girardeau and Dwight H. Brown of Poplar Bluff were appointed as representatives of the press interests.

S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau was appointed as representative of the banking interests.

The organization committee had a short session after the general meeting and will meet on Thursday, January 18.

### Certified Seed Sweet Potatoes Available

300 bushels of certified seed sweet potatoes will be available for farmers of this section this year. J. W. Collins of Lilbourn, has produced these potatoes which are of the Porto Rico variety.

E. M. Page of the Agricultural Extension Service, came to inspect the

potatoes. The certified seed project is a part of the program of work of the Farm Bureau.

Seed sweet potatoes to be certified must be true to name free from disease.

### Farm Loan Ass'n Pays Dividend

New Madrid County National Farm Loan Ass'n held its annual meeting of stockholders on Tuesday, January 9. The board of directors voted to pay 50% of the dividends that have been received from the Federal Land Bank, that have been credited to each man's account.

The officers and directors elected were: W. S. Edwards, President; C. R. Post, Vice-President; J. M. Miles, Secretary-Treasurer; S. R. Shy, E. V. Jewett and G. M. Meier.

The following is report of financial statement of the Association as of January 1st:

Resources	
Cash in Commercial Trust	
Compnay .....	\$ 837.87
Accounts receivable .....	451.98
Bills Receivable .....	1325.00
Federal Land Bank .....	18475.00
Reserve Account:	
Federal Land Bank Bonds .....	206.58
Time Deposit .....	25.00
Total Resources .....	\$21321.43

Liabilities & Capital Stock	
Undivided Earnings .....	\$ 844.52
Dividends from Federal Land Bank on Stock .....	1991.91
Reserve Account Earnings .....	10.00
Capital Stock (Held by members) .....	18475.00
Total liabilities and capital stock .....	\$21321.43

## NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

W. A. Hunter and wife of New Madrid County to E. M. Wiman of Yale County, Ill.: Lot 24 and all of lot 17 in L. A. Lewis 2nd sub-division to the city of Lilbourn. \$1000.

Maggie Hardin and husband of Clarkton to W. H. Pavy of Hartzell: Lot 2 in block 6 in the town of Hartzell. \$40.

S. G. Camp and wife of Lilbourn to Fred Tope and wife of New Madrid County: Lot 66 range E in the city of Lilbourn. \$100.00.

Noah Atchley, et al to L. D. Waters, all of New Madrid County: A parcel of ground adjoining lot 4, blk. 1st addition to the town of Matthews. For a more particular description see page 216, ook 79. \$800.

Jennie Anderson and husband to Harry Black of New Madrid County: Lots 15 and 16, blk. 29 of the city of Morehouse. \$1600.

Louis M. Koch and James A. McFeely of St. Louis to Theodore A. Gross and wife of St. Louis. The west 1/2 of SW 1/4 sec. 26, twp. 21, range 11 lying south of the pole road, containing 70.40 acres and that portion of the SE 1/4 of section 27, range 11, lying east of the center line ditch 1 of the L. R. D. D., containing 60.35 acres. \$100 and other valuable consideration.

Louis M. Koch and wife to Theodore A. Gross and wife of St. Louis: East 1/2 of the NE 1/4 sec. 26, twp. 22 range 11 containing 80 acres. \$100 and other valuable considerations.

B. F. Swartz of Matthews to Ela and Van Vaughn of New Madrid County: Lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 10 in B. F. Swartz add. to the village of Catron. \$130.

Marriage Licenses  
Ollie Brown Williams and Lulu May Ledford, both of Marston.

E. L. Beardley and Della Murphy, both of Marston.

Elvis Long and Lena Love, both of Hartzell.

Louis Ferrell and Beulah Jenkins, both of Caruthersville.

Murray Klein has purchased the Dr. Stewart property on South Kingshighway and will occupy same this spring.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children of Grand Chain, Ill. arrived Friday of last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard on Dorothy street.

There are many bargains yet to be found at Farmers Supply Co., while the stock is low the assortment is fairly complete. This would be a splendid opportunity for someone to engage in the furniture business, as this is for sale and it would only take a small capital to handle it.

Chas. L. Blanton, Jr., of The Sikeston Standard, came down yesterday afternoon and remained over night in this city, looking after matters of private business as well as conferring with Secretary Litzelfelner upon affairs having to do with the Fair Association, Mr. Blanton being secretary of his local fair organization.

He also attended the dance at the Armory hall last night and we acknowledge a brief fraternal call from him upon his arrival yesterday afternoon.—Caruthersville Democrat.

## THE BOLL WEEVIL AND THE CORN BELT

Thoughtful northern farmers are now watching with a great deal of interest the struggle the cotton growers of the south are making to bring the boll weevil under control. There is good reason why the northern farmer should be interested. Unless cotton farmers can continue to grow cotton profitably, they will from necessity grow more corn and live stock, which they have heretofore purchased from the north in great quantities. The experience of the last two or three years has shown us very clearly that the addition of a few hundred million bushels of corn to a normal crop depresses the price out of all proportion to the increase in production. Northern farmers, therefore, have a very direct financial interest in the fight against the boll weevil. Cotton is the great cash crop of the south. The soil and climate and labor conditions are all favorable to cotton production. It would pay southern farmers to diversify their farming more than they have up to the present time. It would pay them to grow more corn and live stock; but their farming must center around cotton.

Recent reports indicate progress in fighting the boll weevil. At one of the southern experiment stations there seems to have been developed an improved method of using the arsenical poison which has been found effective against the insect, but which heretofore has been too expensive except on land which will produce over half a bale to the acre. This new method seems to justify its use on land which produces less than a half bale. It is to be hoped that it will be found successful throughout the cotton section.—Wallaces' Farmer.

Charles Jones here in "Trooper O'Neil"

A Fox production of more than ordinary interest is coming to the Malone Theatre Saturday. It is called "Trooper O'Neil", and the star is Charles Jones. A reviewer in another city says of this film: "It is a breath of the Canadian woodlands. When the picture opens you are greeted by a scene where snow-capped peaks raise their crests, plumed with giant pines. That is the background for a story which is swift in action and engrossing in theme. The beauty of the settings is cleverly blended with the ever-increasing charm of this spirited romance. Situation follows situation in rapidly increasing succession to the final stirring climax. And rarely has a climax been more powerful."

Mrs. Ranney Applegate is ill. Miss Golda Fowler, who has been in California, is at home on a visit.

Mrs. Henry Welsh's recital in the ladies parlor of the M. E. Church on Saturday afternoon was a very enjoyable program. Five of the pupils who were to play were unable to do so on account of illness. Those who did perform showed excellent training.

The work of a civil engineer is quite as much within the province of a woman as a man, according to Miss Oliver Dennis, who for the last two years has been connected with the bridge engineering department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and who regards her work as a very natural profession for a woman.

A telegram from M. S. Murray, dated Chicago, January 18, where he was attending the Builders Convention, stating that his brother, Allen Murray, had died in that city and was to be buried in Dayton, Ohio. At one time he owned The Sikeston Standard having purchased same from M. G. Gresham. He lived in Sikeston about four years.

The picture shown at the Malone Theatre by the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., on last Tuesday afternoon, was a success in every way. Mrs. Barker, a representative of the Billiken Shoe Co., entertained the school children and grown-ups and a very enjoyable hour and half entertainment was had. The theatre was entirely filled, showing that Buckner-Ragsdale's efforts to advertise that special line of shoes were appreciated.

The Sikeston Chapter of Eastern Star held their installation of officers last Friday evening with the following installed: Mrs. James Mabee, Worth Matron; Ed Hollingsworth, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Steve Humphreys, Assistant Matron; Mrs. Clarence Felker, Conductress; Mrs. Roy Johnson, Associate Conductress; Mrs. L. C. Erdmann, Marshal; A. B. Dill, Warden; Mrs. C. A. Cook, Chaplain; Mrs. Vernon Vaughn, Treasurer; Mrs. Frank Mount, Secretary; Mrs. Emma Kendall, Organist. After the installation, a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments of cream and cake were served. The Masons and their wives and the husbands of the Eastern Stars were invited.

## CHARLESTON PULLMAN SERVICE IS DENIED

The Missouri Pacific Railroad does not feel justified at this time in a restoration of the Charleston-St. Louis Pullman service, as requested in a resolution passed by the Business Mens' League at its meeting last week. A letter to the effect, was received Monday by the Enterprise-Courier from C. L. Stone, passenger traffic manager, who asserts that the former service, abandoned about the first of last year, when a number of main line trains were taken off, was non-remunerative.—Enterprise-Courier, Charleston.

The Sikeston Hardware Co. owned by J. H. Galeener, J. H. Yount and C. L. Prow, and managed by Mr. Prow, has passed to the ownership of Mr. Prow, who is now taking invoice of stock. Further announcement will be made in the next issue of The Standard.

Donald Davis, a former High School boy has entered as one of the thirteen contestants for the Inter-student Oratorical Contest, to be held at the Teachers College auditorium on the evening of February 2, when a representative will be chosen to enter the college contest in Cape Girardeau, March 23.

First Baptist Church  
9:30—Sunday School. Classes for all ages and grades. J. C. Horne, superintendent.

11:00—Morning Worship. Singing led by choir. Sermon by pastor.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and social worship. Young peoples ideal place in training for service. Come it will help you.

7:30—Evening worship. Spiritual songs. Sermon by the pastor. For-sake not the assembling of yourselves together as the habit of some is. He who neglects the worship of God is on the downward road to decay of the best and most vital things. It pays to follow Jesus.

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## NOTICE TO WOMEN

## BANKRUPT SALE AT

## PEARSON'S

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Smart Shop of Women's ready-to-wear Garments Start Saturday Morning, January 20, 9 a. m. sharp, and will continue from day to day until the entire stock is sold out.

BY ORDER OF THE U. S. COURT IN BANKRUPTCY, PEARSON'S ENTIRE READY TO WEAR STOCK and millinery was ordered to be sold for the benefit of the creditors. This Pearson Bankrupt Stock consists of the finest COATS, SUITS, DRESSES, WRAPS, KYERS ITALIAN SILK HOSIERY AND UNDERGARMENTS, VAN-RAALTE SILK HOSIERY, FINE BLOUSES, CELEBRITY AND LORENE, NEW YORKS FINEST MILLINERY, in fact the finest ready to wear stock carried by any concern in this section of Illinois. This entire stock will be placed on sale commencing SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20, at 9 a. m. sharp, at retail and will continue from day to day until the entire stock is closed out. It will pay you to come a 100 miles to visit this BANKRUPT SALE.

Prices quoted for this sale that will set the smart dressers wild with excitement and will be remembered for years to come. By all means don't miss this opportunity. Women's \$25.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses in this BANKRUPT SALE \$12.45. Women's and Misses \$40.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses \$19.85. Women's and Misses \$50.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses Bankrupt Sale \$24.85. Women's and Misses \$75.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses on sale \$34.75, etc. Women's \$5.00 Blouses \$2.45. Women's and Misses \$8.00 Blouses \$3.95. Women's \$10.00 Blouses, sale, \$4.85. Women's and Misses \$15.00 Blouses \$7.45, etc. One lot Women's \$1.75 Black Silk Hose only 79c. All Kyser and Van-Raalte Italian and pure silk Hosiery 1-3 of former selling prices. All Silk Undergarments, including Kyser's famous Italian Silk Undergarments 1-3 of former selling prices. All La Camille famous Corsets and Brassiers 1-3 of former selling prices. All our Fur Pieces, Chokers, Throws, Scarfs on sale 1-3 of former prices. All MILLINERY on SALE at 1-3 of former prices as follows: All Pearson's \$15.00 Hats, Bankrupt Sale Price \$4.95. All \$10.00 Hats, Bankrupt Sale Price \$3.35. All \$7.50 Hats, Bankrupt Sale \$2.45. One Special Large Lot of Hats, values up to \$10.00 Special the Opening Day on Sale \$1.00.

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## COMPLETE PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION AND TOWN REPORT NO. 36 ON SKESTON

### Town in General

Government—A mayor and eight aldermen elected for two years. Population—3,613 (1920 census) 3,327 (1910); 1,077 (1900). Area—About 1 1/4 sq. mi. about one-half built upon. Topography—Flat. Streets—Mercantile district and part of residential section, paved; others, gravel or dirt; railroad grade crossings to south residential section and minor mercantile center. Climatic Conditions—Prevailing winds from the south; conditions generally not severe. Supporting Industries—Agricultural community; large flour mill and grain elevator. Mercantile District—The principal district comprises about twelve acres in the center of town. Brick construction prevails; average height, two-story. Heating by stoves and steam; brick flues; electric lighting, general. The conflagration hazard is moderate. A minor center in west end of town. Dwellings—Generally frame; shingle roofs; clearances between are fair. Fire Records—The number of fires and losses since January 1st are very high.

### General Features of Fire Fighting Facilities

Waterworks—Municipal water system; power from privately owned utility. System—Combined gravity and pumping. Source—Two wells; apparently adequate; no shortage reported, but some trouble from sand. Pump House—Intermediate location; fire-proof; moderate exposure; public protection; constant attendance at site; fire alarms received by phone. Power House—Remote location; brick non-fire-proof; moderate exposure; public and private protection; constant attendance. Pumps—Total capacity 1,650,000-gal. per day in two electric units. Power—From remote sources (at Cape Girardeau) four steam boilers and two electric generators adequate for pumping load; two reserve electric units and three boilers at Charleston. Storage—One 60,000-gal. tank at inadequate elevation for fire pressure direct from hydrants is kept in service for fires. Underground System—Fair gridiron of 8", 6" and 4" pipe in mercantile district; short to long loops and dead ends of 6" and 4" pipe elsewhere; 59 1/2-4" pipe; 12 1/2-4" dead end 4" pipe. Total about 9 1/4 mi. of cast iron pipe; 8"-2-400'; 6-17,000'; 4"-28,400'. Gate Valves—Total, 69; effective spacing is generally wide; no regular inspection. Fire Hydrants—Total 68; double 2 1/2" outlets threaded standard; operation uniform; no regular inspection; condition, generally good, distribution, fair to good. Pressure and Fire Flows—Normal pressures of 50 to 53 lb. in all sections are used for fires. The greatest number of standard fire streams available at 60 lb. in the mercantile district, none; but at pressure adequate to supply fire engine, about two for 10-hr period, 2 1/2 for 5-hr. period or 3 1/4 for 2-hr. period. The standard of fire flow for the mercantile district is about 8 standard fire streams each of 250-gal. per min. at 60 lb. pressure in the mains. Records and Maps—Map of mains, valves and hydrants. Elevations—The mercantile district is about 20' above pumps and about 100' below base of elevated tank.

FIRE DEPARTMENT—Organization—A "call" chief, one full-paid man, and 11 call men paid for services; no rules, drills nor building inspections. Fire Station—Exposed non-fireproof brick; centrally located. Apparatus and Equipment—One 400-gal. automobile pump, chemical and hose truck; one hand-drawn reel in reserve belonging to water department; minor equipment, fair. Hose—Total, 2,300' of 2 1/2"; couplings threaded standard; hose dried in outside tower; condition, appears fair to good. Fire Methods—A light automobile pumper; fair sized shut-off nozzles used; chemical equipment, fair; no long ladders; hose supply, good; only one full-paid man; no waterproof covers. Records—Complete records on fires are kept. Outside Aid—Remote. Fire Alarm—Constant commercial telephone service; alarms transmitted to call men from common terminal; general alarm by electric siren operated direct from telephone exchange. Police—One on duty at day and one at night.

Fire Prevention Provisions  
FIRE LIMITS—They comprise the principal and minor mercantile districts wherein frame construction and combustible roofs are prohibited; small wooden sheds permitted; fairly effective in principal mercantile district. Meager regulations on stove pipes and flues; no enforcement.  
ELECTRICAL LAWS—None; conditions of interior wiring is generally poor.  
EXPLOSIVES AND INFLAMMABLES—Dynamite permitted in magazines; fireworks prohibited; waste in mercantile district must be burned or stored in metal containers; ordinances meager.

### General Recommendations

1. Pumps—Overhaul triplex pump so that it will deliver its full rated capacity.

2. Pump House—(a) Install all electrical wiring to conform to the National Electrical Code. (b) Provide chemical extinguishers suitable for electrical fires.

3. Power—(a) The electric transmission line from Poplar Bluff should be extended to Skeston. (b) If municipal power plant is installed at Skeston, sufficient power units should be installed to carry the maximum pumping and electric load.

4. Underground System—(c) All future extensions to system supplying fire hydrants should be not smaller than 6" pipe. (b) Eliminate dead-end mains where practicable. (c) Install the following mains or their effective equivalent:

(d) size 6" along Scott from Malone to Gladys.

(e) 6" along Malone from School to Delmar.

(f) 6" along Kingshighway from Woodlawn to Wakefield.

(g) 6" Gladys from Delmar to Frisco.

(h) Inspect all gate valves at least annually to insure good operation and wide open position.

5. Fire Hydrants—Test all fire hydrants at least semi-annually and inspect them before and during freezing weather.

6. Records—Install a recording pressure gage on the system and keep a record of water pumped.

7. Fire Department—The fire department force should be organized with rules and regular drills in the best fire methods.

8. Apparatus—(a) Maintain in reserve for exclusive fire department use a cart loaded with 500' of 2 1/2" fire hose arranged for towing, or drawn by hand (design of cart furnished on application). (b) Provide waterproof covers on fire truck and relief valves for connecting fire hose lines direct to hydrants.

9. Hose—Maintain at all times not less than 1500' to 2000' of good 2 1/2" fire hose, wetted inside occasionally, always dried in an inside tower, and tested annually to 200 lb. static pressure. New hose purchased should preferably bear the "label" of the Underwriters Laboratories.

10. Ordinances—With fire limits of adequate extent adopt modern regulations controlling buildings, flues, heating equipment, electric wiring, explosives, highly flammable liquids and materials, rubbish and ashes; all under effective fire department inspection and supervision. (Suitable modern ordinances will be furnished on application).

Conclusion  
The public fire protection is ample for the present allowed 4 1/2 classification. To attain 4th classification, item No. 1 of the "General Recommendations" is submitted.

The pumps, water storage, pressure and fire flow are fair for the class. The source of water supply, pump house, power, mains, hydrants, fire department force, fire station, apparatus, equipment, and fire alarm are good for the class.

The ancient Egyptians, Phoenicians and Persians began their new year at the autumnal solstice (September 21) and the Greeks until the Fifth century, B. C., began the year at the winter solstice (December 21.) In 432, B. C., the Greeks changed the festival to June 21, the beginning of summer.

Albert Cox, who is employed by Louie Shields at La Forge, while working Thursday morning, put his knife with the blade open in his coat pocket. While pulling on a rope, which he wanted to cut, his hand slipped and he fell back on the ground, his right arm just above the elbow striking the knife inflicting a deep cut, which nearly passed entirely through his arm. The arm was corded to stop the profuse flow of blood and Mr. Cox came to this city to have his arm dressed by Dr. Fake.—New Madrid Record.

It is seldom that justice operates with such rapidity in the matter of crime as in the case of Harry James, a negro, who shot at Riley Malone, a crippled white man in this city, Sunday night. Monday James was arraigned before justice Henderson and waiving preliminary his case was booked for the circuit court and as that tribunal was then in session the accused went into circuit court, pleaded guilty to the charge of assault with intent to kill and was sentenced by Judge Ing to seven years in the penitentiary—and what is further remarkable in the matter of expedition, James started on his way to the penitentiary Tuesday at 11 a. m., Hon. L. E. Tedrick taking him on No 32, Mr. Tedrick himself going to Jefferson City to attend the forthcoming session of the Legislature, which met Wednesday.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

## RETAIL MERCHANTS INVITED TO ST. LOUIS

Plans are being perfected by the Advertising Club and merchants in St. Louis concerning the "merchandising institute" which promises to make St. Louis the mecca of retailers, wholesalers and advertising men on February 6, 7, 8. The institute will be a part of the Seventh District Conference of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World.

The seventh district includes nearly all the trade territory of St. Louis and Kansas City, and store owners in this part of the country are being invited and urged to attend and bring one or two of their clerks along, if possible.

The theme of the conference will be "move more merchandise", and because of the interest all retailers have in this subject a large attendance is forecast. The dates coincide with the spring buying season, and merchants from all over the southwest are arranging their buying trip to include these dates, and are sending in reservations.

Features of the program definitely scheduled include the appearance of thirty nationally known authorities on retailing, merchandising and advertising. A comprehensive series of educational talks and classes will be held on the afternoons of the above dates, where show card writing, window trimming writing and laying out of newspaper advertising and direct mail campaigns will be demonstrated by experts.

Exhibits costing and representing thousands of dollars, illustrating and visualizing for the retailer, wholesaler, and manufacturer what to do and what not to do to get more business and more goods will be on display.

Photographs of different types of window trims, illustrating applications of principles in decorating grocery, hardware and dry-goods windows will be shown, and complete store fronts will be on display, showing the right and wrong methods of using this valuable space. Methods of tying up store display and newspaper advertising so both will get results will be explained.

The program of speakers includes such men as Samuel A. McKelvie, Governor of Nebraska, Lou Holland, President of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, Joseph Meadon, President of the Direct Mail Advertising Association, Fred P. Mann of Devil's Lake, North Dakota, one of the most successful retailers in the United States, and George W. Hopkins, Vice-President of the Columbia Phonograph Company, New York City.

Headquarters for the conference have been established at Hotel Statler, and an information booth is functioning there under the direction of Chas. W. Collier, Executive Secretary of the Advertising Club of St. Louis. A campaign of publicity has been started to make it plain that this conference will not be limited to advertising men or members of advertising clubs, as all men and women who are interested in "moving more merchandise" are invited.

Negotiations are now under way with all railroads serving the trade territory, and reduced rates are promised delegates in the seventh district, which includes Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. These rates amount to fare and one-half for a round trip. Hotel Statler will be headquarters, and reservations should be sent to the Advertising Club of St. Louis, at that address.

General supervision of arrangements is in the hands of Bert Barnett of the Friedman-Shelby S' Company, Chairman of the conference.

Of the 200,000 negro soldiers sent overseas during the World War, battle deaths amounted to 474, while the total deaths were 9,765.

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Cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs.

### HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions. Sold by druggists for over 40 years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

**Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic**  
Makes the Body Strong,  
Makes the Blood Rich. 60c

## DEMOCRATS REDUCING LEGISLATIVE CLERKS

Jefferson City, Mo., January 6.—Reduction of the number of clerks in the House of Representatives from more than 250 to a total of 123, including all officers and employees, was the first stroke of economy which was made by Democratic Legislators who are in control of that body. A like reduction in the number employed in the Senate has been forecast by President Pro Tem W. R. Painter and Senator Frank H. Farris, Democratic leader. Democratic leaders in both branches express a determination that the affairs of state be returned to an economical status which marked the party's rule for more than forty years.

The clerical force committees in the Senate and House are composed of men who are anxious that expenditures be kept to the minimum. In the Senate Senator Nick Cave of Fulton is chairman with Senators Kinney, James, McMurry, Anderson of Scott, Democrats; Pickett and Warner, Republicans.

The House Clerical committee is headed by Representative Dale of Ray county, whose policies are in keeping with the party's campaign pledges.

Speaker Oak Hunter of Randolph, in assuming his position, declared economy must be the watchword. "We have two women in this House and I am glad to welcome them as members of the Democratic party," said Speaker Hunter, "and we must look well to the interests of the taxpayers of Missouri or we will see more of them here in the future".

Senator Farris, Democratic floor leader, says the practice of employing officers from outside of the state by the Hyde administration will be the subject of some investigation.

Representative D. L. Bales, Democratic House leader, says some of the first measures to be presented this week will be for the repeal of the State Tax Commission, reduction of the state tax rate, equalization of salaries paid clerks in the various state departments, repeal of the State Beverage Inspection Department, and the issuance of \$4,500,000 bonds to complete paying bonus to Missouri's former service men.

The opening of the Legislature was enlivened by discovery of an effort to fraudulently collect \$7,822 by unknown persons on a bill against the state which had been paid and the fact that W. H. Crouch, secretary of the State Mining Bureau, had cashed the salary warrant of the stenographer in his office and retained a portion of the salary each month. Democrats plan to change the form of state warrants in order that this evil may be thwarted. Crouch has since resigned. Crouch is said to have come here as a personal appointee of the Governor. Crouch formerly resided at Bethany.

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## SEN. WHITECOTTON LOADED FOR BEAR

Hon. James H. Whitecotton, state senator from the Monroe county district, had a bunch of bills of unusual interest to office holders and taxpayers when he left Paris this week to begin his legislative duties at Jefferson City.

One of the measures proposes to wipe out the Hotel Inspection department which was created under a bill introduced by Frank W. McAllister, a former senator from this district.

Another measure proposes radical reductions in the salaries of county school superintendents and prosecuting attorneys.

Another measure proposes to abolish the tax commission at Jefferson City.

A bill of more vital importance to the senator's constituents, especially those who own real estate, is one which proposes to relieve Missouri citizens from burdens incident to paying taxes on money they owe on their places. The bill is modeled after the Indiana law and there is no doubt of its constitutionality.

Senator Whitecotton proposes to replace present statutory assessment provisions, which militate against a farm owner, with the plain language of the constitution, which directs that all property shall be assessed in proportion to its value, not at its full value, at the time of the assessment. —Paris Appeal.

Charles Dunivan and Dolph Hanners of McGee recently lost three fine fox hounds in a rather peculiar manner. The hounds were running a fox and were getting so close at the heels of the animal that it jumped into an old well. The hounds followed the fox into the well and all drowned before Dunivan and Hanner could get there. The dogs were known as some of the best fox hounds in this section. —Piedmont Banner.

## Mules For Sale

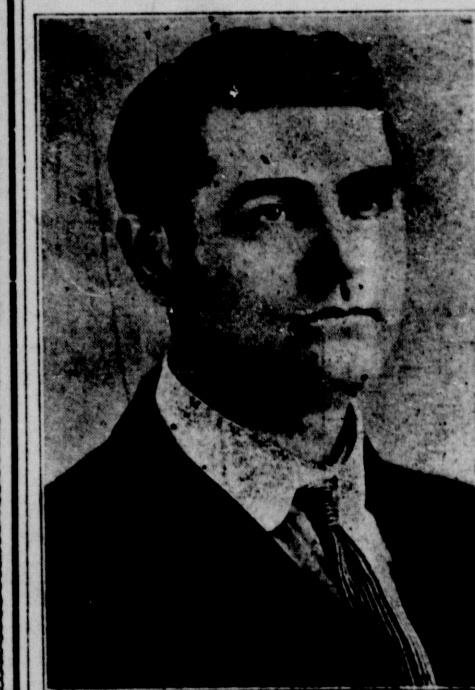
We have received a car load of good mules purchased at Fredericktown that we will trade or sell to those in need of them. Sound and guaranteed. See them at the barn.

**MCCORD BROS.**  
Sikeston, Mo.

**J. GOLDSTEIN,**  
Purchaser of Scrap Iron  
Old Metal of All Kinds  
Rags, Feathers and Rubber

Located in J. A. Matthews' Wagon Yard  
Cash paid for everything

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AND EMBALMER**  
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Located at Greenhouse

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT  
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Flowers for All Occasions

## ST. LOUIS LIKELY TO GET DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Washington, January 6.—Although Democrats high in the councils of the party insist no thought has been placed on where the 1924 national convention will be held it is known that a strong effort will be made to hold it in a middle west city. The two prominently mentioned are Kansas City and St. Louis and as both doubtless will make strong overtures, it is not unlikely that one of these will be chosen.

It is almost certain, however, that Chicago will bid and pressure will be exerted to have the convention in the east. Also it is probable Cleveland will enter the lists.

However it appears that either St. Louis or Kansas City would have the first call. Democrats probably will make a play for middle west votes, but it is unlikely that they would dare to go as far west as Denver, and certainly not to any coast city.

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cigarettes  
TURKISH VIRGINIA BURLY

**15**  
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AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.

The first discovery of a disease producing bacteria was made by the French pathologist Davaine, in 1854 in a study of sheep anthrax.

## Ah, How Juicy, Tender!

THAT'S the expression that usually accompanies the first forkful of meat purchased from our shop. Not only is it palatable, but contains all of the nourishment that nature put into it. Our meats are purchased daily, giving you an assurance of its high quality. The economical housewife makes ours her Meat headquarters.

## Sellards Meat Market

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## FOR EXCHANGE

Splendid 160 acres located in Scott County, Missouri. Improved with a 5-room frame house, good barn, tenant house; well fenced and cross-fenced. All in cultivation except 30 acres timbered pasture. Fine black cypress land. Will exchange this for a larger tract of unimproved land or a larger tract of improved land.

A splendid 313 acre tract in Sullivan County, Missouri; well improved and in a high state of cultivation to exchange for land in Southeast Missouri.

267 1/2 acres in Sullivan County, Missouri. Nicely improved and one of the best stock and grain farms in that section. Want land in Southeast Missouri.

\$150,000 worth of good second deeds of trust on fine Missouri farms. Will trade all or part for improved or unimproved land in Southeast Missouri.

A fine tract of 211 acres in Mercer County, Missouri with a new 7-room bungalow and good outbuildings. This tract joins the Iowa line and is in a section where there is always a demand for a farm of this kind.

394 acre stock and grain farm in Boone County, Missouri. This is not far from the State University. Will trade this for land in Southeast Missouri. Want improved farm in Southeast Missouri.

400 acres in Pike County, Missouri. This is in a drainage district and is in a high state of cultivation. Nearly 300 acres in wheat; one-half of which goes to the landlord, the balance for corn the coming season. The soil is rich Mississippi bottom land. Fair improvements, splendid location. This tract is about 65 miles from St. Louis. Would exchange this for large tract of cut-over land in Southeast Missouri.

Over \$100,000 worth of stock in a reciprocal Insurance Exchange located in Kansas City. This stock has paid as high as 40%. Will put in this and some money on a good Southeast Missouri farm. Must be well located and good improvements.

Town property wanted in exchange for an improved 80 acre tract close to a splendid market town in Scott County. Want property in Sikeston or any good Southeast Missouri town.

Improved Southeast Missouri farm wanted in exchange for a 200 acre dairy proposition in Tulare County, California. 100 head of fine Holstein, lot of other stock and tools, machinery, etc. Over \$8,000 year received from sale of milk. This is high class property and you can make a splendid deal if you have something good here to offer in exchange.

For further information, see or write

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Sikeston, Mo.



## COTTON MEN OF S. E. MISSOURI FAVOR MARKET ORGANIZATION

First steps in organizing a Southeast Missouri Cotton Marketing Association were taken at a meeting in Sikeston Thursday of last week, there being representatives from eight Southeast Missouri counties and one from one Illinois county present.

The idea of organizing such an association was unanimously approved by the delegates from all counties represented.

The conference was held in the auditorium of the City Hall, with a large number of business men and farmers taking part. The regular delegates appointed from the various counties of Southeast Missouri were: New Madrid, George Meier, M. F. Ehlers and W. H. Sikes; Dunklin, P. R. Richardson and C. E. James; Stoddard, C. O. Walker and James Hux; Cape Girardeau, S. B. Hunter, Julien N. Friant and John H. Gehrs; Pemisecot, Gideon Crews, S. P. Reynolds and C. O. Raine; Butler, Irl Brite and E. D. Walker; Mississippi, C. A. Sackery, A. S. Hult, Thad Snow and Wm. Holloway; Scott, Theo. Hopper, Floy Collins, Louis Watkins, Frank Emerson, Emmett Burke and Ed Chewing.

Chairman Raine then stated that the meeting was to discuss the feasibility of an organization for marketing cotton in Southeast Missouri and asked C. O. Moser, of Dallas, Texas, secretary of the American Cotton Growers Exchange to explain the plan adopted in other states for marketing the product.

Mr. Moser spoke at length on the subject, explaining the need of business methods in this matter and showing by illustrations that the plan had been successful in the eight states already working through the state organizations and the American exchange, which performs the functions of a clearing house and deals with problems of marketing in which all the state organizations are interested, explaining that the business of the exchange was to handle sales of cotton to the big eastern markets and in Europe for all the associated marketing associations, thereby obviating the necessity for each state organization maintaining a selling agency in these markets.

He gave instances of considerable profit having been made through this plan, not only in preventing friction between the various state organizations, but by dividing the overhead expenses of the selling business between the local associations.

He said that the plan had effected a saving of one-half of a cent to two cents on every pound sold.

He explained, also, that this central organization gave a more stabilized force for dealing with large buyers in our eastern markets and in Europe and that many large customers had been secured who would look to the exchange for all their cotton products in the future.

His address was an able one, entering into all details in such a manner that those present were given a clear understanding of the plan and its successful operations in disposing of cotton products at a great profit to the members of the organizations.

Another speaker, C. G. Henry of Newport, Ark., a banker of that city and president of the Arkansas Cotton Growers Marketing Association, explained in detail as to the organization, its methods and its success in his state.

He asserted that the fear of an inability to finance the association in Missouri need not stand in the way, as the scheme had been so successful in Arkansas that his state organization was being offered more financial backing than it could use.

He also offered the services of his selling organization to the Missouri association at the same cost that it had the Arkansas branch, which would effect a large saving to the Missourians in their first year's work.

He refuted the accusation that farmers will not stick together in any movement by telling that of the 6000 farmers who had signed a contract for membership last year not one had failed to live up to contract, except a few who had so deeply mortgaged their crops that they could not enter them in the selling pool, which condition had come about previous to the forming of the marketing association.

Mr. Henry said that the cotton growers of the states that had gone into this plan felt that it was the only one in which they could handle their selling business satisfactorily and profitably.

But he warned the Missourians not to be too enthusiastic in the matter. "Stick to your grain farming and raise plenty of food and feed for your needs," he advised. "Do not undertake more than you can accomplish satisfactorily, or your venture will prove disastrous," was his warning.

Many questions were asked by the delegates and others interested and Messrs. Moser and Henry answered these questions fully and satisfactorily.

They explained about the ginning, transportation and selling of the product, giving advice as to how the Missourians should proceed.

In order to complete the organization of the Missouri association, an organization committee was named, composed of one cotton grower in each county, with three others from the district, a banker, a business man and a member of the press.

The members of this committee were chosen by the various delegates and are as follows: New Madrid, X. Caverno; Mississippi, Hugh McPheters; Scott, W. H. Tanner; Butler, John C. Corrigan; Cape Girardeau, Julien Friant; Dunklin, A. R. Zimmerman; Mound City, Illinois, William Bestgen.

The banker member of the organization committee is S. B. Hunter of Cape Girardeau. Fred Naeter of Cape Girardeau and Dwight H. Brown of Poplar Bluff were named as the press members for the committee.

Two delegates were present from Southern Illinois—W. R. Eastman and William Bestgen of Mound City—who explained that the farmers in their vicinity had agreed to plant about 700 acres to cotton and that they wanted to become members of the Southeast Missouri marketing association.

In addition to the delegates at the conference there were many men from the various counties of Southeast Missouri, among them being all the county farm agents in the district, except from Scott county he being kept away by illness. H. L. Hensley of the State Agriculture College and L. E. Rast of Wilson, Arkansas, were also present and took part in the discussions.

### Let's Finish the Job

Few public officials have won such general commendation as have the five members of the state highway commission, Gary, Connett, Matthews, Carleton and Buehler. Not that there has not been criticism and disappointment over road location but no citizen who amount to anything ever has questioned the ability or integrity of these men nor asserted they were governed by any motive except to do their very best for the state. Buehler, state geologist and ex-officio member, is a state employee and this work might be considered a part of his job but I know Buehler has made sacrifices to serve. Not one of the others but accepted the position at heavy sacrifice of time and money. Perhaps no one action of Governor Hyde has won such wide approval as the selection of these men.

Having convinced themselves that we have a commission big enough for the job, Missouri people are not going to stand for the work of the obstructionists who would hold up the building program and leave unfinished the work begun. It would be manifestly unfair to the citizens of counties where contracts were not let last year if the legislature failed to approve further bond issues and the state allowed to remain cut up in sections of hard and dirt roads. So soon as the farmer is given a highway whereon he can transport his goods to market that soon will his transportation ills be alleviated.

There has been a tremendous increase in trucking, even with dirt roads. With hard roads much of the livestock and produce shipped to our cities will go by truck and the farmer can let extortionate freight rates go hang. Not one county in Missouri but should have road building before the close of this year.—Missouri Ruralist.

Beetles, moths and butterflies do not grow after they are out of the caterpillar stage.

Voss Williams, formerly the manager of The Lair Music Store in Sikeston, was here Friday afternoon and called on The Standard.

The Blodgett High School basketball boys and girls team journeyed to New Madrid Tuesday evening to play the New Madrid teams. The game between the girls was fast, furious and exciting, and New Madrid won by a score of 9 to 8. The boys game was very one sided, 25 to 2 in favor of Blodgett.

Now comes one James W. Price, director of publicity of the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, and asks the country weeklies of the State to let the members of the Senate and Legislature for an increased appropriation for that fair. Here is how The Standard proposes to let. The State has paid for the grounds and the building and has heretofore stood all losses. In the future the State Fair and Sedalia would finance itself or would close its gates. The Standard believes the State Fair would be self sustaining if the public was not held up by Sedalia when they go there.

## DEATH CLAIMS HATTIE R. ALLEN

Hattie R. Allen, 81 years old, widow of the late Benjamin F. Allen, widely known farmer of near Benton, died at her home at 451 N. Frederick street a 12:20 p. m. today, succumbing to a complication of diseases.

She recently suffered a severe attack of pneumonia, which left her in a weakened condition. Her heart was affected by the disease and this, combined with her age, caused her demise.

Mrs. Allen is one of the last descendants of an old pioneer family that came to Southeast Missouri when this section was only sparsely settled. Her grandfather, Uriah Brock, is one of the few revolutionary soldiers buried in a cemetery here.

She was born September 19, 1841, near Benton. In 1919 she moved to Cape Girardeau, after the death of her husband. She was quite active in spite of her advanced age, and was a member of the Eastern Star lodge, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and Christ Episcopal church.

She is survived by three sons and one-half sister. The sons are: Clyde of Cape Girardeau; Dr. W. H., of Blodgett, and R. G. of Benton. The half-sister is Mrs. Mary Waters of Blytheville, Ark.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Christ Episcopal church. Rev. J. H. Taylor will have charge of the services. Interment will be in the mausoleum in Lorimer cemetery.—Cape Missourian

### WOULD PREVENT PARTY VOTING FOR OPPONENTS

Jefferson City, Mo., January 10.—Representative W. W. Botts of Audrain County, who fought the nomination of Senator James A. Reed, presented a bill today which would make it difficult for Republicans or Democrats to participate in the primary of the opposition party.

Supporters of Breckinridge Long, Reed's opponent in the primary, charged that Republicans entered the Democratic primary in August by the thousands and nominated Reed over the opposition of a majority of the Democratic party. Botts said his bill is to prevent such occurrences in the future. He proposes to do it in this manner:

1. To prohibit a voter from voting in a party primary who did not vote for the candidate of that party at the previous election.

2. To require challenged voters who are members of other political parties to make a written affidavit that they intend to support all the nominees, this affidavit to be made a public record for the inspection of everyone.

Botts also had a bill to provide for the nomination of state officials by convention and to nominate only local officers by primary.

Mrs. Lon L. Sheible, mother of Fred J. Sheible, former pitcher of Sikeston ball club, and sister of Mrs. J. H. Held of this city, died at her home in Hillsboro, Mo., January 9, at the age of 68 years.

More than 2 million dollars worth of butter in one order by a New York firm of chain stores is being shipped to this country from New Zealand. Storage stocks of butter in this country are said to be more than 15 million pounds below last year at this time.

Theodore Hopper living north of Sikeston believes the salvation of the farmer is in raising more hogs and corn and not too much cotton. Listen to this corn story. From 25 acres planted to cob pipe corn he got 1208 bushels of shelled corn that he sold at 66c per bushel, or \$797.28. He saved 254 sacks of cobs for which he received \$364.49, a total of \$1,161.77 from the 25 acres. Besides this he had the pasture left for his hogs and they grew fat from the shattered corn that they picked. His gross average per acre was \$46.47.

It seems that car thieves are now making a specialty of Ford coupes. The officers say that it is an easy matter to steal and disguise these cars, and if the owner has no special mark thereon, his car is gone for good. It seems that the Ford company put out a fully equipped engine which they sell for \$62. The engine in the stolen car can be taken out and replaced with a stolen one. The motor out of the stolen car is then stripped and the parts sold to dealers or repair men and they realize almost the price of the new motor out of the parts and they throw away the base of the engine on which the markings are. This makes it almost a matter of impossibility to identify the car. This is done at a loss of about \$11. The thieves now steal Ford coupes and change the engine and go out and get nearly the retail price for it.

## MAE MURRAY WINS IN "FASCINATION"

All the romance and flavor of old Spain have been kept intact in Mae Murray's latest photoplay "Fascination", presented by Robert Z. Leonard and will be shown for the first time at the Malone Theatre. It is the most lavish and elaborate of this famous Metro star's pictures, and presents a whirlwind succession of thrilling and exciting experiences. The direction by Robert Z. Leonard is flawless, and the play is undoubtedly one of the most noteworthy of the year.

In "Fascination" Miss Murray plays the part of Dolores De Lisa, born of a Spanish father and an American mother. Resenting the close supervision of the aunt with whom she lives, Dolores slips out to join the throng going to the bull fight.

It is here that she becomes fascinated by the torero, Carrita. She meets him and falls under the influence of his dark eyes. That night, at a ball, Dolores dances for the guests, giving vent to the emotions which the bull fight had created in her. None of the guests recognize her as the daughter of Eduardo de Lisa, the daughter of a wealthy Spaniard who has on that very day returned from America, bringing with him Dolores' brother and a friend from college.

It is the search for the girl that brings in its train a series of swiftly-moving and highly dramatic incidents. Elaborate costumes and gorgeous settings make brilliant the entire production. All the principal scenes are laid in Spain. Miss Murray's picture reproduces admirably the spirit of the land of the torero.

A notable cast has been assembled in support of Miss Murray, the players including Vincent Coleman, as the American sweetheart of Dolores; Creighton Hale as Eduardo, her brother; Helen Ware as Parola, a jaded singer in a Spanish cabaret; Courtenay Foote as the suave Count de Morera; Charles Lane as Eduardo de Lisa, the father of Dolores; Emily Fitzroy as her watchful aunt; and Robert W. Frazer as Carrita, the torero, who holds Dolores enthralled.

"Fascination" was written by Edmund Goulding, and was directed by Robert Z. Leonard. It was photographed by Oliver T. Marsh. It is a Tiffany production, distributed by Metro.

### TWO DRASTIC DRY BILLS INTRODUCED BY SHUPP

Jefferson City, Mo., January 10.—State Senator McCawley of Carthage introduced for Rev. W. C. Shupp, superintendent of the Missouri Antislavery League, two drastic bills today. One makes it a felony punishable by imprisonment in the Penitentiary for two years to transport intoxicants in an automobile or other vehicle. The other provides a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a minimum of one year in jail for occupants of any automobiles or vehicles carrying liquor to be found with firearms or other deadly weapon in the conveyance.

Hardly a family in Sikeston and vicinity but what has had one or more members down in bed with colds, flu or some other ill during the past ten days. A few cases of scarlet fever have been reported. It would be well for children to stay close to home until every case is dismissed.

Roert L. Ward, prominent Democratic politician and attorney, who, from his gift of a golden voice, has been termed the "Brown Thrush of the Ozarks", was before the Supreme Court yesterday representing a client in an important suit. Mr. Ward is a former member of the House of Representatives. His home is at Caruthersville.—Missouri State Journal.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Telephone 124.

FOR SALE—14 hives of bees in good condition. See or phone O. R. Fahrenkopf, 464, 21p.

LOST or STOLEN—Brown Ranger bicycle. Taken from High School Monday, January 15. Reward for return.—John Putnam, 500 Prosperity St.

HOTEL FOR SALE—Reasonable, 24 rooms. Only first class hotel in town of 4000. Reason for selling, sickness.—Mrs. J. R. Ragsdale, Chaffee, Mo. 3t

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## LARGE POPULATION JUMP IN NEW MADRID

New Madrid, Mo.—That Como Township's population in New Madrid county will be increased by one thousand during the year 1923, is certain. Scores of families from Arkansas move in every week. They come in wagons, trucks cars and by train. Never probably since the opening of the Indian Territory to settlers has there been such an influx of settlers to any given locality as are coming to Southeast Missouri now.

Little Paul Engould of Conran was bitten by a cat a few weeks ago. His parents thought little of the occurrence, not apprehending that it might result seriously. The boy became ill about two weeks ago of rabies and died Thursday, January 4th, the attending physician being unable to save him after the disease had developed.—Lilbourn Herald.

Silage odors are absorbed largely through the body of the cow rather than from the air, according to tests made by the United States Department of Agriculture. However, these odors may be practically or entirely removed by the aeration of the milk while it is still warm. Rather heavy feeds of silage may be given to cows an hour after milking without any undesirable flavors or odors passing into the milk. When green alfalfa was fed in relatively large quantities one hour before milking marked flavors and odors were noticed in the milk, but when as much as 30 pounds per cow was fed after milking there was no effect on the milk from the next milking.

### Notice to Contractors

Sealed proposals, addressed to The State Highway Commission of Missouri,

Jefferson City, Mo., and endorsed "Proposal for constructing (or improving) State Road, Route 55 Section 4", will be received by the State Highway Commission until 11:00 o'clock a. m. on the 2nd day of February, 1923, at the office of the Secretary of the Commission in the Capitol at Jefferson City, and at that time will be publicly opened and read in the Hall of the House of Representatives of the Capitol at Jefferson City, Mo.

The proposed work includes: Grading, constructing culverts and

a gravel pavement 16' wide together with any incidental work on the State Road from Diehlstadt, northwardly the total length of the improvement being approximately 1,000 miles.

Multiple or Combination bid will be considered as follows: Combined bids will be received on Route 55, Sections 4 and 6, of Scott County.

Plans and specifications are on file and may be inspected in the office of the State Highway Commission of Missouri, Jefferson City, Mo., or at the office of the Division Engineer of the State Highway Commission in whose division the proposed work is located.

A set of plans and specifications may be obtained from the undersigned upon deposit of ten dollars (\$10.00), which amount will be refunded if both plans and specifications are returned in good condition within four days after the date of receipt of same.

Proposals shall be submitted upon blank forms provided for the purpose by the undersigned, and shall be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the "Treasurer of the State of Missouri, to the credit of the State Highway Fund", for five (5) per cent of the amount of the bid. A proposal bond cannot be accepted in lieu of a certified check, and a bid when accompanied by a proposal bond will be automatically rejected.

Payments will be made on monthly estimates but should not be expected prior to the last of the month for the estimate of the preceding month.

The right is reserved by the State Highway Commission to reject any or all bids.

B. H. PIERMEIER,  
Chief Engineer,  
Jefferson City, Mo.

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The proposed work includes: Grading, constructing culverts, a bridge and a gravel pavement 16' wide together with any incidental work on the State Road from Diehlstadt, northwardly, the total length of the improvement being approximately 4,500 miles.

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